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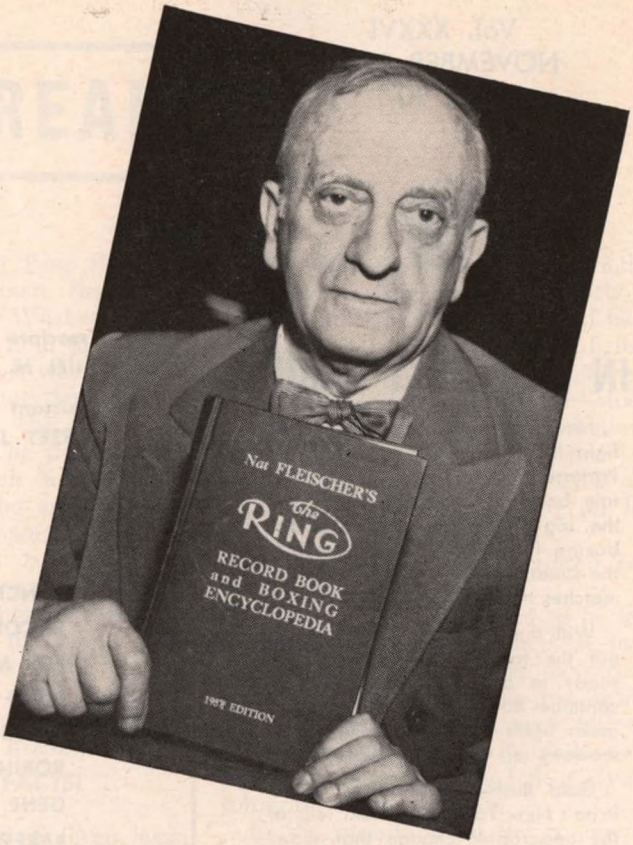

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Now that the big middleweight fight is out of the way and Floyd Patterson has concluded his two title bouts for the year, what are the big attractions ahead for the boxing fans. Dan Daniel analyzes the situation and reports on the big matches that are in the making.

With the New York Giants moving out the fabulous Polo Grounds is ready to be razed. Jersey Jones continues his interesting series on the great fights that took place in the shadows of Coogan's Bluff.

Gold Rush—1957 version? Well, it isn't New York. Lew Eskin tells of the geographic change that shows the big gates in boxing are being drawn in new centers and a renewed interest with thriving clubs is now found throughout the country.

Len Kanthal, former Marine, is the Modern Mendoza. Read Ted Carroll's human interest story of the young fighter who may be the successor to such great Jewish battlers as Leach Cross, Benny Leonard and Al Singer.

Zora Folley, Arizona heavyweight who has quickly climbed among the heavyweight contenders, is the subject of a searching yarn that tells all about his background and capabilities.

In addition, The Ring in its big December issue presents its regular features, including News of the Mat World, reports from the service camps, latest from the television front and up to the minute news, photos and flashes.

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PUNCH LINES

FROM OUR READERS

PHANTOM FIGHTS

Dear Sirs:

In a past issue of your magazine there was reported a theoretical fight between Jack Dempsey and Rocky Marciano. It was good; now why not do the same with fighters such as Ketchel vs. Kid McCoy, etc.

Jim Fries,
San Rafael, Cal.

COMING ATTRACTIONS!

Dear Sirs:

I was pleased to see your bit on "Buzzsaw" Boysaw in your "New Faces" section in your August edition. This boy has it and is going up, up, up. Believe it or not Cleveland has more boxing talent. Cecil Shorts, a fine lightweight, who won the Golden Gloves crown last winter. He has had only a few pro fights but his manager Johnny Papke says he can beat almost any lightweight in the world in six rounds. I pretty much agree with this and who knows? Maybe we have another Canzoneri on our hands. Up a few weight divisions is a young man named Tony Hughes also a Golden Gloves champ in the heavyweight division. He looks darn good and I'm sure he would like his picture in your magazine too. I have missed a lot of your recent issues and possibly something on both of these boys too. If I have I'm sorry and thank you for the article. In all my thirteen years of reading I have never read or heard of a better magazine than yours. I truly enjoy reading it. Keep up the good work.

Jack Blum,
Willoughby, Ohio

HEAVYWEIGHT PROBLEM

Who do you think is a proper opponent for Floyd Patterson? I see where The Ring states that Cus D'Amato is angling for a winter fight with Roy Harris for Texas and possibly Zora Folley for Los Angeles.

Eddie Machen has not looked too good in his recent fights. Bob Baker is out. He's too dull a fighter to get public support. Harris looks as an exciting challenger. Pastrano lacks punching power.

Outstanding among the lot of newcomers are Alex Mitoff and Pat McMurtry who pose as good threats. I would like to see Harris, Folley and Machen fight it out for the right to meet Patterson and then I think we would have a real challenger whom the public would support.

I note in the latest Ring the complaints of readers about the recent Durelle-Anthony fight. What some seem to forget is that aside from the second, ninth and tenth rounds when Durelle almost had Anthony out, Anthony was clearly the winner in the others and had Durelle hurt. The decisions are reached not by which fighter is in better condition at the end but who actually was ahead on points or rounds at the end.

Why is Harold Johnson rated Number One in all rankings, not given a chance to fight for the world light heavyweight title? He should get the opportunity.

George V. Khouri,
Brooklyn, N. Y.

JEFFRIES-JOHNSON FACTS!

Gentlemen:

When Corbett and Sullivan were training for their championship fight in New Orleans—1892—I was studying art. My teacher would spread before me the sports pages from St. Louis newspaper, with photographs of the two pugilists. Then she would tell me to draw pictures of them in different poses, from memory. Naturally I read every line about the approaching battle. Comparing the slendor, handsome young man with the pompador haircut and the whisky-bloated bully from Boston, started me praying for the Californian's victory.

Later, when as a newspaperman, I met Corbett and told him of my early idolatry, he readily told me all about the psychology he used to demoralize the superstition-ridden champ before the ring battle started. That was before he wrote his story for The Saturday Evening Post – "The Roar of the Crowd" – the classic of all prize ring descriptions.

Corbett later told me the facts about the Jeffries-Johnson farce in Reno. He explained why the Negro agreed to take a dive; why he had to send word to Jeff that the deal was off and that the White Hope would have to fight.

He told me how Farmer Burns, who developed Frank Gotch into the world's champion wrestler, cried as he started kneading Jeff's muscles on the training table just before the fight—because the Farmer realized that the ex-boilermaker's nerves had collapsed. How Corbett kicked the trainer's shins to stop the falling of his tears before the big fellow saw them. How Jack Jeffries started clowning with his brother until Corbett kicked him, too, for the victim being led to slaughter was like putty in Jack's hands. How big Jeff paced back and forth in his room the night before the battle, as his advisors and trainers—including Corbett and Burns—stood outside and watched the shadows through the window blinds. How Jeff yelled at his wife "to get the Hell out of there" when she knocked on his door.

Maybe all this has been printed, but I never have read any of it.

Poor old Jeff only wanted to be left alone but such noted writers as Jack London and Rex Beach—at their peak of popularity—kept telling the world that the white man was superior to men of other colors. And the naughty newspapermen began quoting Jeff as saying Johnson was afraid of him.

In the meantime all the conqueror of Fitzsimmons desired was a bucket full of beer, with a pint of whiskey poured into it. But it is easy to understand why Johnson became enraged. With all the other humiliations to which he was subjected because of his color, he had to read every day that he was "afraid" of Jeffries.

He knew that Jeff was smart enough to know he had no chance against him and could be lured into the ring only with the promise that Johnson would let him win. So the wily Negro, seething with indignation over the slurs cast at him and his color, gave his word with a big smile. He was living only for the moment he could make the white race suffer some humiliation.

That he could have knocked Jeff unconscious in the first round was evident by the first move. With his open glove Johnson caught the wrist of what had been the most devastating left hook in the history of the prize ring, bent the arm back as a wrestler does with a hammerlock, causing agony to be registered on the White Hope's face. And the gold tooth glistened as the mighty black man grinned at the white faces which represented the humiliation which had been heaped upon him.

Corbett told me how he taunted Johnson, hoping for an excuse to leap into the ring and take a swing at him, thus having the fight end in a foul.

"Just keep calm, Mr. Jim" said Johnson. "When I get through with Mr. Jeffries, I will sit on my stool while you change into trunks—then I'll give you a few lessons in the manly art."

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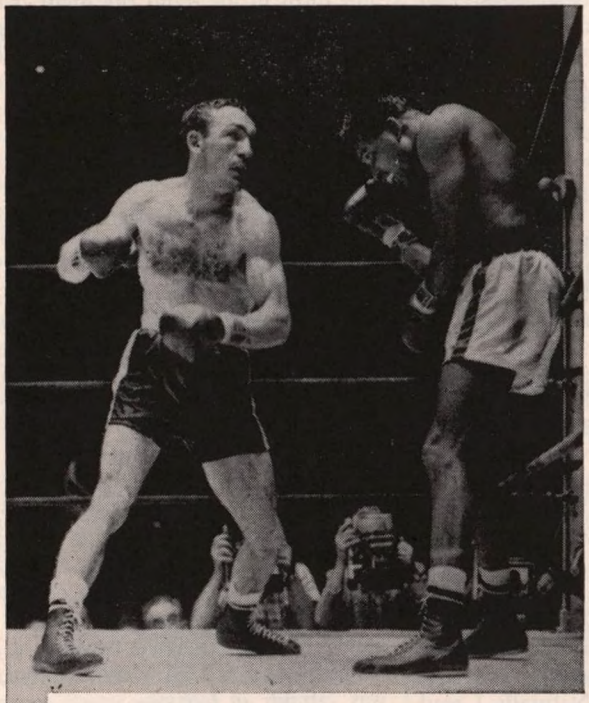
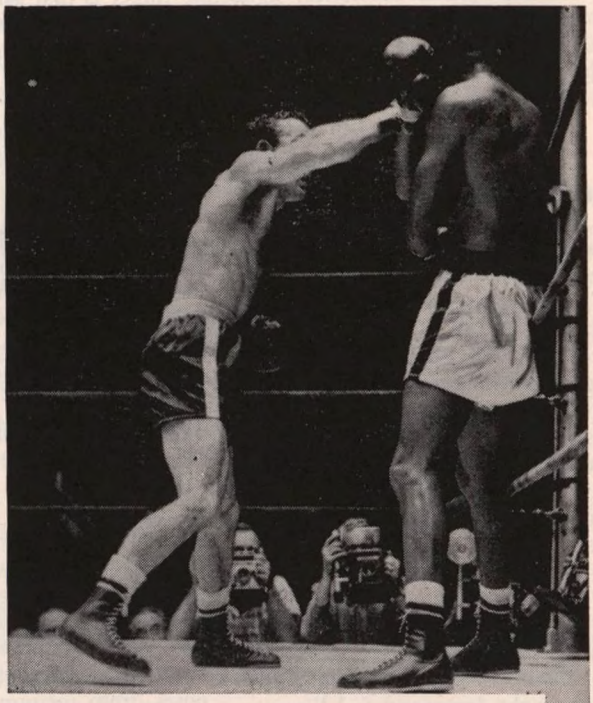
Hail, The Champ! Carmen Basilio is enthusiastically greeted at his hotel following victory over Ray Robinson.





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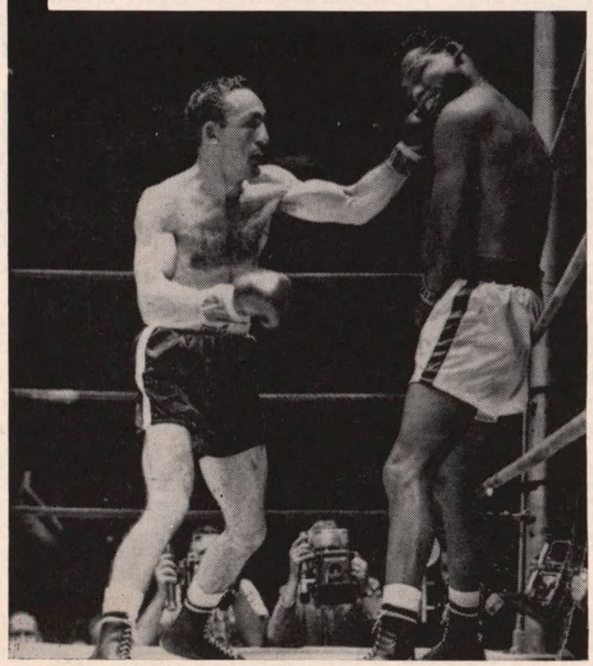
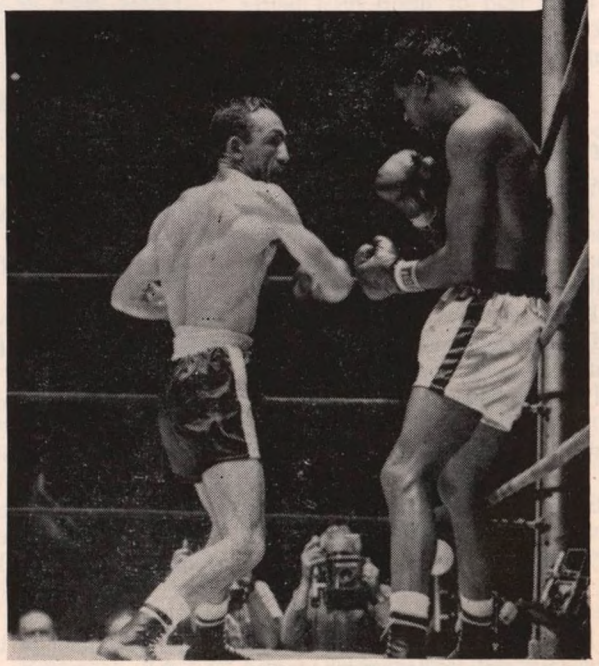




Sequence shows damaging attack launched by Carmen Basilio in twelfth round as he pinned Ray Robinson against the ropes and bombarded the middleweight champion. Ray weathered the storm but it was the beginning of the end of his reign.

BASILIO'S AGGRESSIVENESS AND ROBINSON'S CLEVER, GAME AND GALLANT DEFENSE MADE IT FIGHT OF FIGHTS

By NAT FLEISCHER

THE fight in which Carmen Basilio gained the middleweight championship with a split decision over Ray Robinson in Yankee Stadium has been written into boxing history. And what a brilliant chapter it makes there.

Now comes the aftermath. Very likely there will be a return fight. Often these second matches are mere concoctions for financial gain. But this one is called for. It was provided for in the contract for the September 23 contest.

Now Basilio must turn in his welterweight crown, and that will produce fresh excitement in that division, just as Carmen's rise to the 160 pound championship will make that usually active category still more prominent in the public eye.

First Robinson again, then Gene Fullmer. That appears to be the Basilio scheme.

Meanwhile, ring followers are invited to take a fresh look at Carmen in his new raiment. How does the middleweight toga fit the onetime onion picker? How does he fit into the high traditions of the division once lorded over by Stanley Ketchel?

There is no doubt that Basilio was an under-rated fighter. Under-rated until he took everything the once supreme Robinson could jab and hook and throw at him, only to come back strong, resolute, victorious.

YANKEE STADIUM CROWD FALLS SHORT OF EXPECTATIONS

The fourth middleweight reign of Robinson came to an end before a gathering of about 35,000, far short of predictions, in as sensational a fight as ever was seen in New York. Sugar Ray, who on January 2 of this year lost the championship to Gene Fullmer only to regain it for the fourth time on May 1, dropped his crown by a two to one margin so far as the officials were concerned and by about the same difference in a poll of visiting and local scribes.

Ray's Sunday punch carried the same sting as when he was in his heyday but this time it crashed against the iron jaw of the man with the ridgy eyebrows from Chittenango, New York, a fighter with the heart of steel.

Referee Al Berl was the dissenter. His vote favored Robinson by 9 to 6 but Judge Artie Aidala and Bill Recht, with 9-5-1 and 8-6-1 placed the crown on the head of the welterweight title holder who challenged for the middleweight laurels and gained his goal.

My score tabbed Basilio the winner by 8 to 7, the final round in my opinion, being the deciding issue, so close a contest was it. It was a reminder of the two thrillers in which Rocky Graziano and Tony Zale engaged in the same division a few years ago, though this one, in which two New York State boys were hurling blows at each other, was far more exciting because there wasn't a round in which action was missing.

COCKLE-OF-HEART BOUT: FLAYING FISTS FLY

The affair was a throwback to the days when ringmen fought their hearts out to gain their objective and because of that, it will take its place among ring classics. Never in all the years I've seen Ray in action, did he receive the punishment meted out to him by his conqueror. He knew every moment that he was in a battle. Though he failed to retain his crown he gave all he had, fought to the last drop, came out of tight squeezes from which it seemed only a miracle could save him. He thought he won and was emphatic in his after-fight interview in letting the world know his thoughts. But I think the decision was a fair one.

Youth triumphed over age. A solid heart, iron fists, determination, courage to the highest degree—these were among the many factors that enabled Carmen to carry on in the face of great odds.

He didn't have things any easier than did his opponent. There were times—at least half a dozen—when it appeared his fighting heart could stand no more and that he would go down for the count, but by crouching, keeping close to his man to prevent a solid blow from upsetting him, Basilio came through with flying colors.

Despite the terrific milling, the TNT wallops that landed on the jaw of each gladiator, the sinking body blows delivered by the victor in his pressing charge from which there was no let-up, not once did either go down.

With 153½ pounds plus what he gained after the weigh-in, stacked up against 160 plus which the defending champion carried into the roped square, it was thought that Carmen's speed would be somewhat stifled and the additional weight he carried would make him an open target.

Well, he was a target for the continous left jabs of Ray, effective, stinging, tantalizing punches that reddened Basilio's face from the first round on and opened a deep wound over the left eyebrow. But there was no halting Carmen's forward march. Often he moved at as rapid a pace as Robinson was moving backward to get out of range of flaying fists or stepping quickly around the ring.

DETERMINED BASILIO STANDS HIS GROUND

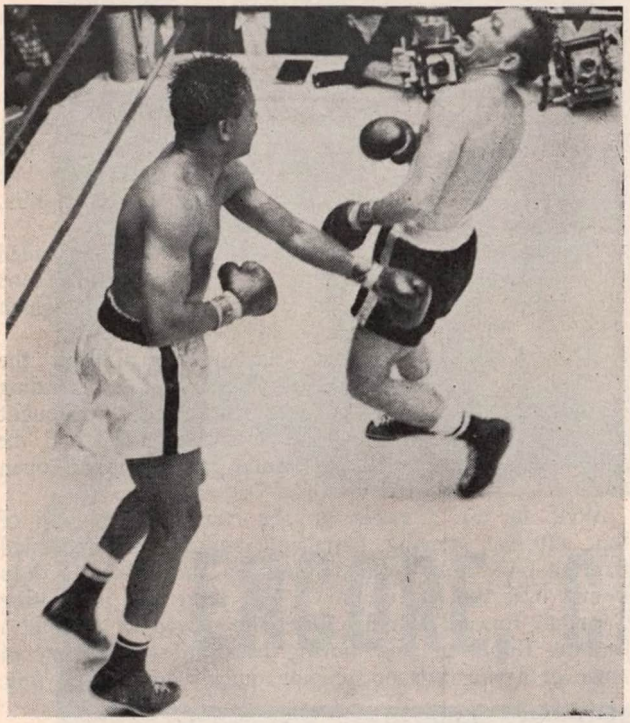
It was a determined Basilio who stood his ground under fierce attacks. Many ring battles have been dubbed "Battle of the Century", but this Stadium affair may justly be classified in that category. Though the contracts call for a return engagement, it is doubtful if Ray, after due consideration, will ask to have it consummated. The beating he took, the fatigue he displayed as the fight neared the tenth round and thereafter, very likely will make his stand against the Ex-Marine his final in a long career.

Seventeen years of ring activity have taken their toll. The man who for many years has been considered pound-for-pound the great all-around mechanic in boxing, can now call a halt with the knowledge that aside from his tantrums, selfishness, undue disregard of his fellow creatures in the fight game, he has reached a high place among the greats of all time as a boxer.

The bout ended an era in boxing for with it probably came to a finish the New York boxing career of the sponsor, ailing Jim Norris who was forced to hear the fight on radio from his hospital bed.

With the adverse decision in the Anti-Trust case, the mandate to sell his Garden stock and quit the game in the Empire State, added to his ailment, Norris is ready to toss in the sponge and let others carry on. Thus the Basilio-

A tired champion. Robinson looks exhausted as he hangs on to Basilio in the thirteenth round. Few believed that the fight would go the full fifteen rounds, based on style, age and punch of both fighters.



In one of the closing rounds of the fight, with both men arm-weary and exhausted, Robinson is seen having landed a solid left that buckled Basilio's legs momentarily. But it wasn't enough.

Robinson fight is most likely to be the last contest of major proportions promoted in the city that for years has been hailed as the center of world boxing.

BASILIO PUBLIC CHOICE, SCRIBES FAVORED ROBBIE

Basilio was the public's choice from the start. Installed an 8 to 5 favorite months ago, he continued up to ringtime to retain the advantage, but not so with the scribes. They were mostly in Robbie's corner, but the victory of Basilio was hailed as a life saver because of the popularity of Carmen as contrasted to that of Ray.

With every vital physical advantage except age and fortitude, Robinson was considered by those who cover the boxing beat as carrying too much for his rival, but Carmen proved otherwise. Height, weight, reach, experience, cleverness—they all were overshadowed by rugged determination and hard wallops. Only in the final three rounds did Basilio alter his style a bit and through clever maneuvering by means of crouching, did he prevent Robbie from delivering a sneak punch such as flattened Fullmer when Ray regained the crown. The International Boulevardier, with 149 fights to his credit and 140 victories, couldn't use his hooks and uppercuts, his bolo drive to the belly as often as in past contests because of the pressure placed by Carmen.

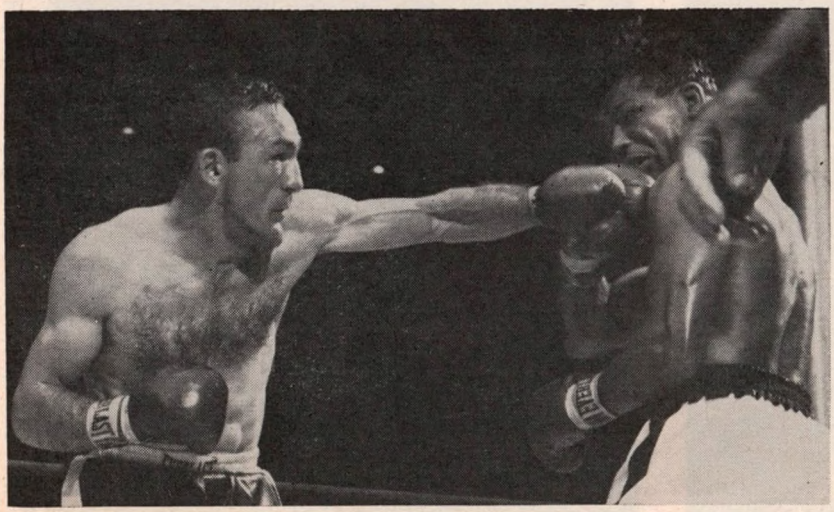
Ray's two great surges rocked the Stadium. Basilio also gained his share of the tremendous ovation in such cases when on the brink of defeat, wobbly, head down, blood streaming from his eyebrow cut, arms and legs weary, scarcely able to stand, literally out on his feet, he made the uphill climb and was able to come out fighting for the next round.

BATTLE OF RAW COURAGE ENDS IN CARMEN'S TRIUMPH

The bout was a crimson encounter and a battle for blood, merciless from the start, each man seeking to end it as rapidly as could be accomplished. By winning, Basilio became the second welterweight to gain the higher honors in this century, Robby having previously accomplished the feat when he defeated Jake La Motta in 13 rounds via the knockout route in 1951. Ray lost the crown for the third time when Carmen beat him and for the second this year.

As in the Graziano-Zale fights, its nearest approaches, devastating blows were delivered in every session. In the eleventh round, the thirteenth and fourteenth the tempo of the battle reached a shrieking crest.

I cannot recall an exhibition of more savage battling than was on view in the eleventh. In the previous frame Ray



Basilio drives a long left to the head of Robinson in the sixth round. The new middleweight champion said this stanza was the turning point in the fight which made him the fifth man in boxing history to hold the welter and middleweight crowns.

A Split Decision. Basilio, his left eye sliced and his features battered, relaxes after winning.

took a shellacking and for moments it seemed he would end his career via the knockout route.

Yet he not only survived the punishment but came back in the following round to rock Carmen repeatedly. He first opened a cut over Basilio's left eye so that the blood flowed freely down his face, then he unleashed a terrific attack to head and body. A right to the head drove Carmen across the ring to the ropes though a push by Ray aided. Then came a right uppercut that sent Basilio's head back and jabs to the face that couldn't be avoided by the ever on-coming Up-Stater.

Suddenly Carmen regained his equilibrium. Then for almost a minute they fired away from all angles. Any other fighter but Basilio would have gone down and out under the savage Robinson attack.

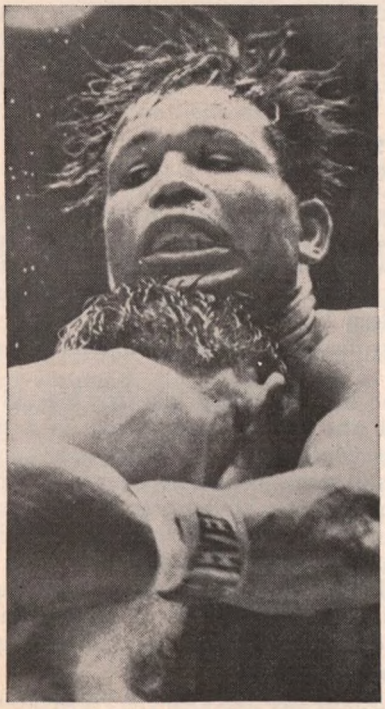
With time running short, Robinson, realizing he had to go all out if victory were to be clinched, started another heavy attack in the fourteenth, one of his punches doubling up Carmen. But with arms weary, he didn't have the power to accomplish what he had hoped for—a knockout.

His opponent was just as weary, but a hungry fighter, a young man seven years Ray's junior who never had the fortune to become wealthy as had his rival, Basilio went after his prey. It was then the aggressive slugger against the sharp-shooting clouter and artistic boxer, and in the end aggressiveness triumphed. Enigmatic Ray carried on to the final bell but he just didn't have enough on the ball against his sturdy, rough, ever-lasting challenger. Robinson showed better against Basilio than in any fight since his thriller with La Motta.

The fight, hailed as a million dollar affair even before the contracts were signed, grossed far below the estimated sum due to the tantrums of Sugar Ray. His TV demand followed by his public statement that he would run out on the fight unless Norris met them, was responsible. He collected his largest gate, $225,000 from TV plus 45 percent of the gate and what he will earn from the picture rights. Basilio likewise had his biggest pay day—$110,000 from TV plus 20 percent of the gate and picture rights. The pictures of the fight should bring in a big sum.

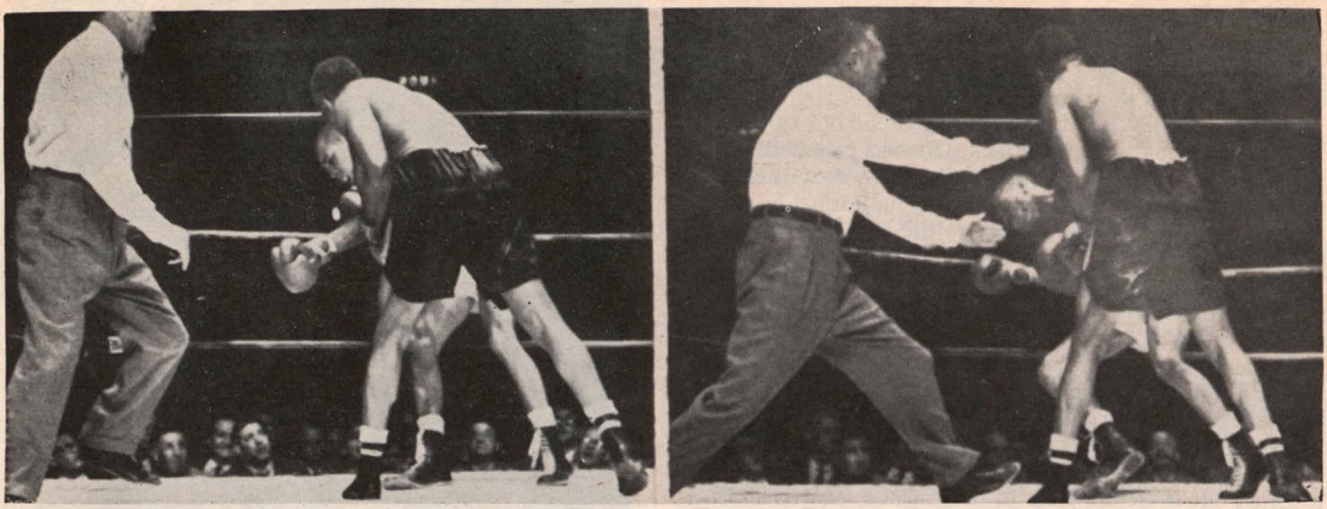
A smashing right to the jaw by Basilio in the tenth round was one of the many Robinson took in absorbing the worst punishment he has received in his long ring career.

On Last Legs. Both men near exhaustion in closing minutes of the terrific struggle at Yankee Stadium, but nevertheless hammer away at each other in desperation.



Facing Defeat. Robinson losing the fifth fight of his professional career fought gamely to the end and missed winning by a narrow margin, the official decision a split one.

Basilio, bleeding steadily throughout the battle, fought an uphill struggle to outlast Robinson in a fight which drew over a half a million dollars at the gate and a fantastic gross in the theatres throughout the country.



The Beginning of the End. Archie Moore slugs an almost defenseless Tony Anthony into submission, pounding his man with deadly accuracy.

FOR MOORE NOW? JOHNSON!

Ancient Archie Scintillates in Defense of Light Heavyweight Title, Devastating Attack Halting Youthful Challenger at 2:29 of the 7th Round

By BILL MILLER

Los Angeles, Cal.—(Special Correspondence of The Ring Magazine)—What now for Archie Moore? As a contender for the heavyweight championship the 41 to 44 year old scrapper is finished. As the light heavyweight title holder, Moore still is supreme. He proved that most convincingly when he stopped Tony Anthony, 22 year old New Yorker, in 2:29 of the seventh round, in the Olympic Auditorium.

Moore was no ball of fire. But the much younger Anthony was a sad disappointment. If Archibald threw few impressive punches, Tony pitched far too few of consequence.

With Anthony out of the picture, now dropped by "The Ring" to No. 3, three others loom as suitable challengers for Moore. Harold Johnson, rated tops, then the Pompey-Turpin winner, and finally Yvon Durelle of Canada.

Archie defeated Johnson, who hails from Philadelphia, twice in ten round contests before Moore won the title.

In England, Jack Solomons has come forth with a proposition to match Pompey, who was kayoed by Moore in the tenth round, against Randy Turpin in a fight for the British crown, the winner to face Archie for the world title.

Such a bout, figures Charley Johnston, manager of Moore, would be the most lucrative. With taxes off in British boxing, Solomons could obtain a gross of $220,000 for such a championship match, assuring Moore probably as much as Gus Lesnevich received when he lost his title to Freddie Mills in the White City Stadium. Gus took back $120,000 which is $30,000 more than Archie received for knocking out Anthony.

Then there is Durelle. He's an excellent attraction in Canada. Johnston says if a promoter will guarantee $100,000, Moore will defend his title against Durelle in Canada.

ANOTHER PATTERSON-MOORE FIGHT IS STRICTLY OUT

Though Moore would prefer to fight again for the heavyweight championship, the ease with which he was halted by Floyd Patterson makes such a match unnecessary and a very poor investment for any promoter because of the huge outlay necessary to stage it.

Though Anthony had youth, height and reach in his favor, he couldn't use them to advantage before the defense of his opponent, a shrewd, experienced battler who took full advantage of the tricks of the trade.

Anthony, who had been knocked out four times previously in his short career, disproved the claim that he has a glass jaw by taking severe punishment from the fourth through the seventh rounds.

NO DOUBT ABOUT ITS BEING CLEAN KNOCKOUT

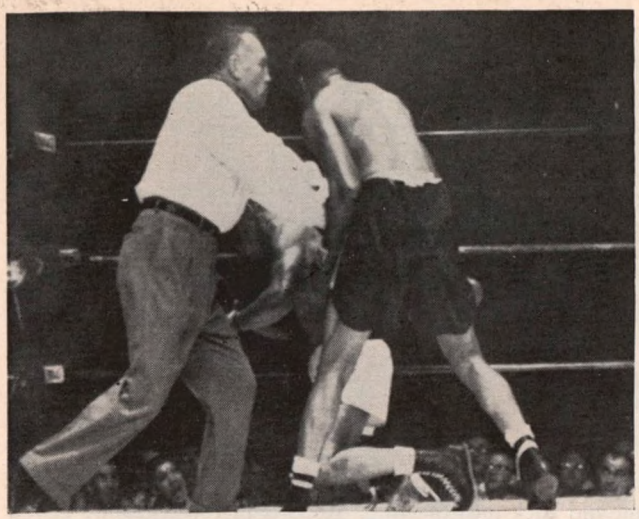
When Referee Mushy Callahan raised the hand of Moore, his challenger was resting on hand and knees and Timekeeper Jack Smith was counting over Archie's fallen foe. Callahan didn't wait for the ten toll. Under California rules this constituted a clean knockout.

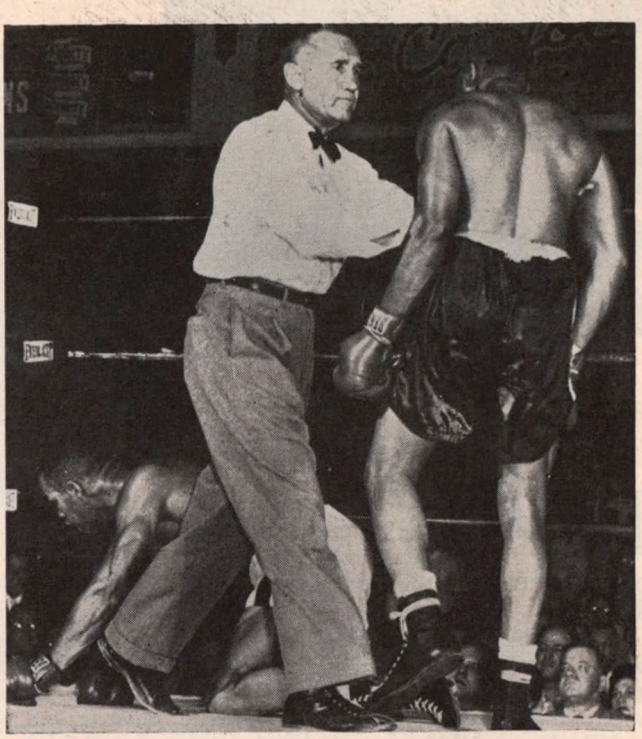
Anthony leaped to his feet seconds later, but too late. The fight was over.

Thus the man who has often been told he's too old to continue boxing and who for the second time in a title defense was forced to reduce from a blown up heavyweight to make the weight, still reigns king of his domain. For this fight he came in a quarter of a pound over the limit, and half an hour later, on his third try, he finally reached 175 pounds to meet the championship requirements.

It will be recalled that when he defended successfully against Pompey in London, he reduced 32 pounds, came in overweight, took off the surplus in a Turkish bath and knocked out his opponent.

Anthony won the second and third rounds on Callahan's score card and as well as the card of Judge Frankie Van. Tony got only the second on the card of Judge Dynamite Jackson. My score agreed with the referee's score. The UP called both rounds even, the AP gave Anthony the second and had the third even.





(Above) As Anthony collapses to the canvas, Referee Mushy Callahan rushes to hold off a determined Moore. (Right) All Over Without a Count, The Third Man halted proceedings at this point. Anthony was unable to defend himself, Moore was at his best.

Anthony put up a good though uninspired fight. His blows, with few exceptions, were light compared to the wallops of Moore. Most of the New Yorker's punches landed on Archie's shoulders. When the attack of the challenger was at its height, Moore went into a shell.

His arms crossed, he exposed only his shoulders, broad and muscular, while offering Anthony the smallest possible target. It was an excellent defense that caused the punches to land mostly on top of head, shoulders, arms and gloves.

SPECTATORS KNEW IT WAS COMING AS EARLY AS THE FIFTH

In the opening three rounds Anthony gave Moore some trouble. The young man, stabbed out with jabs, causing Archie considerable uneasiness. Several times Moore tried to sneak in a punch as the bell sounded.

The end of the fight didn't come as a surprise to the spectators who sensed a knockout as early as the fifth round. When the bell sounded for the sixth, Moore went after his man with determination as Anthony started weaving and bobbing, and handed out many heavy body and jaw blows, mostly to the jaw. Anthony was jarred on several occasions.

He had Tony in bad shape with a bombardment while the New Yorker was in a neutral corner first and then shifted to his own where the punishment was resumed.

Blows were coming from all angles. Moore finally put Anthony down for a seven count, though some thought Archie had pushed him down. Whatever it was, Anthony was on his knees as the bell sounded at the count of seven.

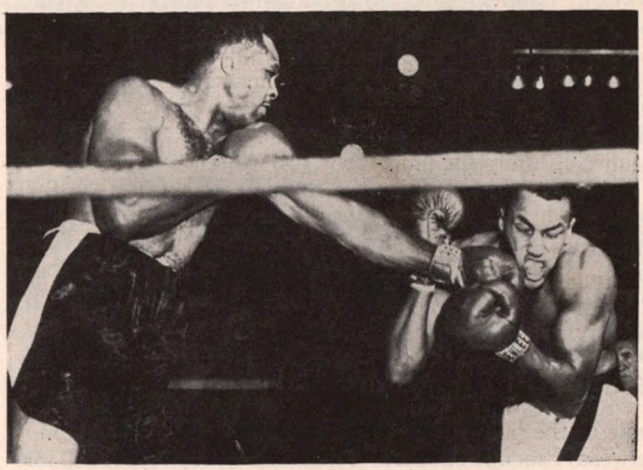
He showed remarkable recuperative power when he came tearing out for the seventh round. He started with a flurry and was apparently full of fight, but so was Moore who didn't want to prolong the affair.

Coming in with head and chin well protected, Archie took some blows on arms and shoulders, then cut loose. He drove a left to Tony's midsection that made the challenger wince. Tony stepped back, then rushed in for a close range attack.

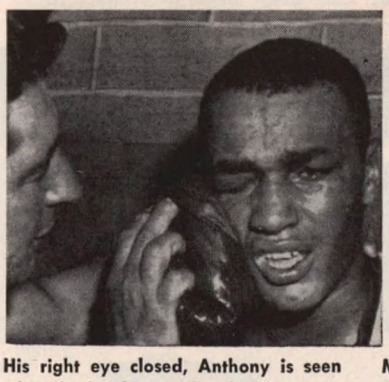
His flurry didn't last long. Archie went after him in earnest now. He assumed an upright position and staggered Tony with rights and lefts.

The challenger was followed across the ring, Archie giving him no rest from the bombardment. Moore stepped back, measured Tony with care and landed a terrific right to the head. Down went Anthony.

That final punch saw the challenger hit the canvas on all fours in which position he was still resting after Callahan called a halt before the fatal ten could be tolled off. Tony was staring into space as his challenge came to an end.



Moore, using a diversified attack, at long range, in close and from a bob-and-weave, found Anthony a stubborn though outclassed opponent. Here Moore scores with a long left.



His right eye closed, Anthony is seen after the battle. He absorbed a severe battering, proved to be courageous.

Moore Does It Again. Fabulous Archie, fighting before his challenger was born, is still the world 175-lb. champ.

Archie was guaranteed $90,000 which, had it not been for the TV and radio contract, would have brought a loss to the promotion. But things turned out OK for all except the challenger.

A crowd of 7,500 paid $60,000 and added to the $70,000 TV and radio swag put the match in the clear.

(This is the second installment of a four-part series on the colorful sports history of the Polo Grounds, which will be demolished when New York's baseball Giants move to San Francisco. These articles will cover the important role boxing has played in the long, exciting career of the Harlem stadium)

FEATURE

By JERSEY JONES

TOM O'ROURKE had ample financial backing for the ambitious schedule planned for the first summer of boxing in the Polo Grounds. The new organization, licensed as the Republic Sporting Club, was headed by Charley Stoneham, wealthy owner of the Giants.

As an established Big Time operator in boxing, O'Rourke wanted only outstanding attractions for the Harlem ball park. For his first two shows he began negotiations to bring two world champions, featherweight Johnny Kilbane and flyweight Jimmy Wilde, out of virtual retirement to defend their titles against formidable challengers.

Kilbane and Wilde had much in common. Both had been great champions, but were now veterans of long, active careers and apparently had ended their ring wars. Kilbane, 34, hadn't fought in a year and a half. Wilde, 31, had been inactive fistically for more than two years.

The opponent O'Rourke had in mind for Kilbane was the war-scarred Frenchman, Eugene Criqui, holder of the European title, and proprietor of an impressive knockout record. Criqui had never boxed in the United States, but the American public had been hearing and reading much about the Frenchman's exploits in Europe and Australia, and with the always-appealing "international touch" he figured to be an attractive challenger for the world title.

For Wilde's opponent, O'Rourke was awaiting the outcome of the bout for the American flyweight championship between Pancho Villa and Frankie Genaro, scheduled for Madison Square Garden. He intended to use the winner with Wilde.

The exact terms O'Rourke offered to Kilbane and Wilde were not made public, but they must have been flattering indeed to inveigle Johnny and Jimmy from out of hibernation and back into the ring. Reports placed Kilbane's guarantee at $75,000 and Wilde's at $65,000. Whether these figures were authentic or not, both champions unquestionably were assured the biggest paychecks of their respective careers.

COMPLICATIONS SET IN.

O'Rourke encountered no difficulty with Criqui. The Frenchman grabbed eagerly at the chance to visit the United States, fight for a world title in his first bout, and get well paid for it. He was reported to have been guaranteed $30,000.

When O'Rourke announced the Kilbane-Criqui bout, he promptly found himself in difficulties with the New York State Athletic Commission. The fistic fathers insisted that Kilbane would not be allowed to defend his title in the Empire State unless the opponent was Johnny Dundee.

This problem was satisfactorily settled when both Kilbane and Criqui posted certified checks with the Commission guaranteeing the winner would accommodate Dundee in a title bout within 60 days.

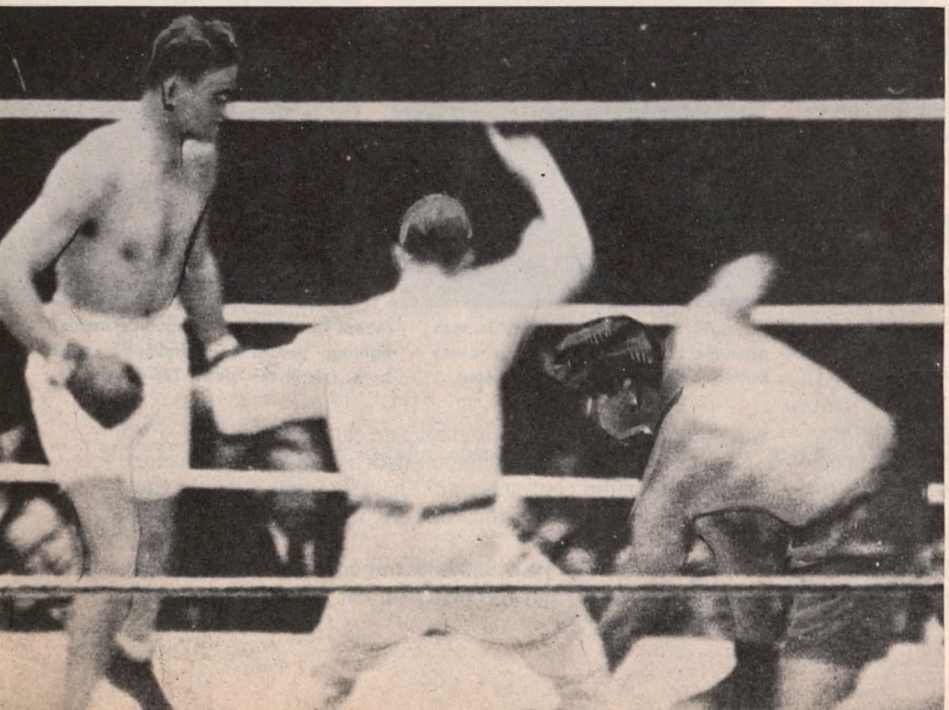
With the match officially blessed by the Commission, O'Rourke set Saturday afternoon, June 2, 1923, for the first fight card ever staged in the Polo Grounds.

The attendance and receipts were disappointing to O'Rourke and his colleagues. The match failed to draw as well as expected. The exact figures were not announced, but the estimated turnout wasn't more than 15,000 and it is doubtful if the box-office handled more than Kilbane's guarantee.

A once great champion but now a ring-rusty, tired old man, Kilbane was knocked out by Criqui in the sixth round.

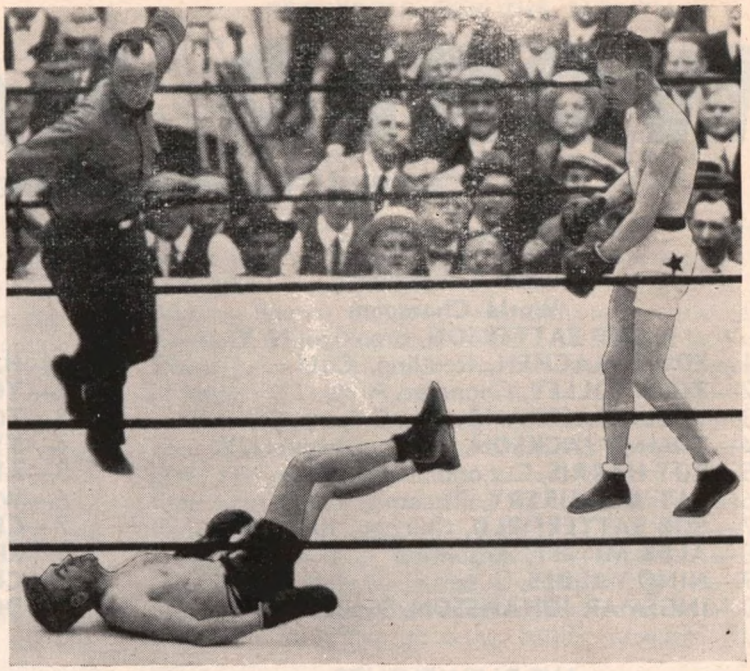
Meanwhile, O'Rourke's plans for the flyweight match had produced complications. Although Genaro had beaten Villa for the American title, and should have been nominated for the Wilde match, O'Rourke selected the loser as the Welshman's opponent. O'Rourke felt that while Genaro was admittedly a better ring technician than Villa—it was the third time Frankie had beaten Pancho—he lacked the Filipino's spectacular showmanship and box-office appeal.

O'Rourke also had intended another Saturday afternoon, two weeks after the



Luis Angel Firpo down on one of his nine trips to the canvas in riotous sockfest with Jack Dempsey, which ended first summer of boxing in Polo Grounds.

30-year-old Johnny Dundee, veteran of 14 years in ring, turned in inspired performance in winning featherweight title.



Coming out of retirement after year and half, ring-rusty, 34-year-old Johnny Kilbane lost his featherweight laurels when knocked out by French war veteran Eugene Criqui.

Criqui-Kilbane affair, for the Wilde-Villa bout, but the disappointing turnout for the featherweight match convinced Tom that Saturday was not an ideal date for a fight. Too many potential customers were hustling out of town for weekends in the mountains or the seashore. Tom shifted to Monday evening, June 18, and results justified the change. Again no official statistics were announced, but the crowd was estimated at 35,000, and the receipts in the neighborhood of $150,000. Villa received approximately $30,000 for the challenger's end. The profits from the show must have erased some of the losses on the Criqui-Kilbane promotion.

As in Kilbane's case, Wilde was little more than a faded memory of a once great fighting machine. The tiny Welshman fought desperately but absorbed a brutal beating from Villa before he was flattened in the ninth round.

TOUGH COMPETITION.

Instead of returning to France as a conquering hero and cashing in immediately on his victory over Kilbane, Criqui elected to remain in New York and fulfill his promise to give Johnny Dundee a chance at his newly-won laurels. Less than eight weeks—54 days to be exact—after winning the featherweight championship, the gallant Frenchman risked it against his leading challenger.

For this match, O'Rourke selected Thursday evening, July 26, and he was fondly envisioning a 40,000 crowd and a $200,000 gate. Unfortunately, however, a rival promoter, Jimmy Johnston, had scheduled a "hot" lightweight title match between Benny Leonard and Lew Tendler for the Yankee Stadium three nights before the Polo Grounds show. O'Rourke would have liked to postpone his featherweight bout, but the baseball Giants were returning from a western tour and no further boxing dates would have been available for several weeks. O'Rourke decided to go ahead with the Criqui-Dundee match and make the best of a not too favorable situation.

As it figured, the Leonard-Tendler bout grabbed most of the public's interest and sports writers' attention, and the Criqui-Dundee affair suffered in the competitive ballyhoo. Considering the rugged opposition, the show did remarkably well, with an attendance of 33,389 and gross receipts of $134,416. O'Rourke didn't have to lay out any guarantees this time. The fighters operated on percentages of the receipts. Criqui, the defending champion, drew down $50,406 and Dundee, the challenger $16,802. The show must have netted a fair profit to O'Rourke and his associates.

The veteran Dundee, fighting nearly 14 years, scaled the heights that night with an inspired performance. With one of the most dazzling exhibitions of his long, industrious career, the "Scotch-Wop" completely overwhelmed Criqui. Battering the game Frenchman to the canvas four times in the early milling, Dundee went on to give him a boxing lesson the rest of the way, to take a one-sided decision and the title in fifteen rounds.

TEX RICKARD MOVES IN.

Just what prompted the Republic Sporting Club to withdraw from boxing promotions, we wouldn't know, but the three shows arranged by O'Rourke represented the organization's production total. It ceased operations after the Dundee-Criqui match, but Stoneham announced that the Polo Grounds would be available to any promoters who wished to rent the park.

Tex Rickard promptly booked Friday night, August 31, for a middleweight title match between Johnny Wilson and Harry Greb.

With Madison Square Garden curtailing its indoor boxing activities during the summer months, Rickard had been centering his attention in occasional outdoor ventures. Promoting for the Hearst Milk Fund, he'd already sponsored an all-heavyweight carnival in the brand-new Yankee Stadium, with 40-year-old Jess Willard, out of the ring since losing the heavyweight title to Jack Dempsey in Toledo four years before, launching a comeback and knocking out Floyd Johnson in one bout, and Luis Angel Firpo, the burly Argentino, demolishing Jack McAuliffe in another.

It wasn't often that Rickard guessed wrong on the attractiveness of any match he promoted, but he miscalculated somewhat on the Wilson-Greb affair. Although Wilson, a drab champion, was more of a liability than an asset to any box-office, Rickard felt that the fans would turn out to see him beaten by the popular Greb. They didn't. No official statistics were released, but the attendance didn't

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By NAT FLEISCHER

WORLD RATINGS

RATINGS FOR THE MONTH ENDING SEPT. 24TH

HEAVYWEIGHTS
(Over 175 pounds)

World Champion
FLOYD PATTERSON, Brooklyn, N. Y.

1—**EDDIE MACHEN,** Redding, Calif.
2—**ZORA FOLLEY,** Chandler, Ariz.
3—**WILLIE PASTRANO,** New Orleans, La.
4—**TOMMY JACKSON,** Far Rockaway, N. Y.
5—**ROY HARRIS,** Cut and Shoot, Texas
6—**PAT McMURTRY,** Tacoma, Wash.
7—**BOB SATTERFIELD,** Chicago, Ill.
8—**ALEX MITEFF,** Argentina
9—**NINO VALDES,** Cuba
10—**INGEMAR JOHANSSON,** Sweden

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
(Not over 175 pounds)

World Champion
ARCHIE MOORE, San Diego, Calif.

1—**HAROLD JOHNSON,** Philadelphia, Pa.
2—**YOLANDE POMPEY,** Trinidad, BWI.
3—**TONY ANTHONY,** New York, N. Y.
4—**YVON DURELLE,** Canada
5—**ARTENIO CALZAVARA,** Italy
6—**WILLI HOEPNER,** Germany
7—**CHUCK SPIESER,** Lansing, Mich.
8—**GERHARD HECHT,** Germany
9—**CLARENCE HINNANT,** Washington, D. C.
10—**DOGOMAR MARTINEZ,** Uruguay

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
(Not over 160 pounds)

World Champion
CARMEN BASILIO, Canastota, N. Y.

1—**RAY ROBINSON,** New York, N. Y.
2—**GENE FULLMER,** West Jordan, Utah
3—**CHARLEY HUMEZ,** France
4—**RORY CALHOUN,** White Plains, N. Y.
5—**JOEY GIARDELLO,** Philadelphia, Pa.
6—**JOEY GIAMBRA,** San Francisco, Calif.
7—**ELLSWORTH (Spider) WEBB,** Chicago, Ill.
8—**CHARLEY JOSEPH,** New Orleans, La.
9—**DEL FLANAGAN,** St. Paul, Minn.
10—**BOBBY BOYD,** Chicago, Ill.

WELTERWEIGHTS
(Not over 147 pounds)

(TITLE VACANT)

1—**TONY DeMARCO,** Boston, Mass.
2—**ISAAC LOGART,** Cuba
3—**VINCE MARTINEZ,** Paterson, N. J.
4—**CHARLEY (Tombstone) SMITH,** Los Angeles, Calif.
6—**VIRGIL AKINS,** St. Louis, Mo.
5—**GIL TURNER,** Philadelphia, Pa.
7—**GASPAR ORTEGA,** Mexico
8—**KID GAVILAN,** Cuba
9—**GEORGE BARNES,** Australia
10—**LARRY BAKER,** Mt. Vernon, N. Y.

LIGHTWEIGHTS
(Not over 135 pounds)

World Champion
JOE BROWN, New Orleans, La.

1—**DUILIO LOI,** Italy
2—**KENNY LANE,** Muskegon, Mich.
3—**RALPH DUPAS,** New Orleans, La.
4—**WILLIE TOWEEL,** South Africa
5—**PAOLO ROSI,** New York, N. Y.
6—**ORLANDO ZULUETA,** Cuba
7—**BABY VASQUEZ,** Mexico
8—**JOE LOPES,** Sacramento, Calif.
9—**JOHNNY BUSSO,** New York, N. Y.
10—**AL NEVAREZ,** Mexico

FEATHERWEIGHTS
(Not over 126 pounds)

World Champion
HOGAN (Kid) BASSEY, Nigeria

1—**CHERIF HAMIA,** France
2—**IKE CHESTNUT,** New York, N. Y.
3—**MIGUEL BERRIOS,** Puerto Rico
4—**FLASH ELORDE,** Philippines
5—**JOSE COTERO,** Los Angeles, Calif.
6—**DAVEY MOORE,** Springfield, O.
7—**JEAN SNEYERS,** Belgium
8—**PAUL JORGENSEN,** Port Arthur, Tex.
9—**RICARDO GONZALEZ,** Argentina
10—**VICTOR (Sonny) LEON,** Venezuela

BANTAMWEIGHTS
(Not over 118 pounds)

World Champion
ALPHONSE HALIMI, France

1—**RAUL (Raton) MACIAS,** Mexico
2—**LEO ESPINOSA,** Philippines
3—**MARIO D'AGATA,** Italy
4—**AL ASUNCION,** Philippines
5—**ORLANDO REYES,** Cuba
6—**DANTE BINI,** France
7—**PIERO ROLLO,** Italy
8—**JOE BECCERA,** Mexico
9—**MANUEL ARMENTEROS,** Cuba
10—**PETER KEENAN,** Scotland

FLYWEIGHTS
(Not over 112 pounds)

World Champion
PASCUAL PEREZ, Argentina

1—**YOUNG MARTIN,** Spain
2—**DOMMY URUSA,** Philippines
3—**RAMON ARIAS,** Venezuela
4—**MASAJI (Lefty) IWAMOTO,** Japan
5—**ARISTIDE POZZALI,** Italy
6—**PONE KINGPETCH,** Thailand
7—**MEMO DIEZ,** Mexico
8—**HITOSHI MISAKO,** Japan
9—**RAMON CALATAYUD,** Venezuela
10—**ROBERT POLLAZON,** France

CARMEN BASILIO

Fighter of the Month

CARMEN BASILIO who became a dual champion when he defeated Ray Robinson for the world middleweight championship at Yankee Stadium on a split decision in a great battle also walks off with the "Fighter of the Month" Award. In accordance with boxing rules, Basilio has now relinquished his welterweight crown and that division title is vacant.

The title bout highlighted a month of ring activity in which many of the top rated fighters participated and brought about more changes in the month rankings than in many months.

Zora Folley made progress in the heavyweight ranks when he defeated Monroe Ratliff while Tommy Jackson was idle, thus enabling Folley, of Chandler, Arizona, to advance to second place with Jackson dropping to fourth. Willie Pastrano, victor over George Payton moved into third position from fourth.

The biggest leap was made by promising Alex Miteff of Argentina whose knockout of John Holman put him from tenth into eighth place. Nino Valdes of Cuba, long idle, dropped from sixth to ninth and idle Ingemar Johansson of Sweden, went into tenth spot from ninth.

Harold Johnson's defeat of Wayne Bethea, a heavyweight, put him into a good spot to challenge Moore. Anthony's kayo by Moore dropped him to third and advanced Yolande Pompey to second. Willi Hoepner's defeat of Gerhard Hecht to win the German title brought an exchange of places, Hoepner advancing to sixth and Hecht to eighth.

With Carmen Basilio as the new middleweight champion, Ray Robinson takes over as the No. 1 rated man, with Gene Fullmer second and Charley Humez third. Ralph Tiger Jones of Yonkers and Willie Vaughn of Los Angeles have been eliminated and Del Flanagan of St. Paul, previously listed among the welters, moves into ninth spot.

Rory Calhoun of White Plains, N. Y., continued his rise toward a title shot when he defeated Joey Giambra and was upped from fifth to fourth exchanging places with Joey. Bobby Boyd of Chicago lost two places, down from eighth to tenth.

With Flanagan out of the welter class, George Barnes of Australia, British Empire champ, returns to ninth post. Larry Baker of Mount Vernon, N. Y. stopped by Vince Martinez of Paterson, N. J., lost his seventh position to Gasper Ortega. Baker dropped to tenth place taking the post previously occupied by Kid Gavilan of Cuba who has been upped to eighth and Gil Turner winner over Virgil Akins advanced from eighth to fifth, while Akins dropped from second to sixth post.

Many changes are recorded in the lightweight class in which Ralph Dupas of New Orleans, victor over Johnny Busso in a tough battle, is now ranked third up from fourth, replacing Orlando Zuleta of Cuba, loser to rapid rising Al Nevarez of Mexico who holds down tenth post. Zuleta is rated sixth.

Willie Toweel of South Africa and Paolo Rosi of New York, each advanced one, now in fourth and fifth positions respectively while Larry Boardman of Marlboro, Mass., and Cisco Andrade of Compton, Cal., have been eliminated.

Joe Lopes of Sacramento, Cal., who drew with champion Joey Brown, is back in the ranking in ninth position.

PROSPECTS FOR THE MONTH

HEAVYWEIGHT—Waban Thomas, Charlotte, N. C.
LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHT—Eddie Bramlett, New York, N. Y.
MIDDLEWEIGHT—Jimmy Remson, Detroit, Mich.
WELTERWEIGHT—Sal Hernandez, Havana, Cuba
LIGHTWEIGHT—Henry Berrera, San Francisco, Calif.
FEATHERWEIGHT—Jimmy Connors, New Bedford, Mass.
BANTAMWEIGHT—Manny Elias, Phoenix, Arizona
FLYWEIGHT—Gregorio (Goyo) Flores, Mexico

The inactivity of Jean Sneyers of Belgium cost him his high post. He exchanged places with Jose Cotero of Los Angeles, Sneyers dropping from fifth to seventh. Pete Kawala of Canada has been ousted to be replaced by Victor Donny Leon of Venezuela who drew with Paul Jorgensen of Houston, Texas. Leon is tenth.

Maria D'Agata of Italy, long number two challenger, has been replaced by Leo Espinosa of the Philippines in second post. D'Agata is third. Orlanado Reyes of Cuba went down from fourth to fifth, switching with Al Asuncion of the Philippines.

Jimmy Carson of Ireland and Billy Peacock of Los Angeles have been eliminated from the choice ten, Piero Rollo of Italy taking Carson's place in seventh and Manuel Armenteros of Cuba, an active battler, occupying tenth place.

Aristide Pozzali of Italy and Memo Diez of Mexico, inactive, exchanged fifth and seventh posts among the flyweights while Pone Kingpetch of Thailand moved up to sixth from ninth position.

Here are the most leading results:

HEAVYWEIGHTS

World Champion Floyd Pattersoon retained title by kayoing Pete Rademacher, 6. Eddie Machen kayoed Edgardo Romero, 5. Willie Pastrano halted George Peyton, 8.
Zora Folley outpointed Monroe Ratliff, 10.
Alex Miteff stopped John Holman, 9.
Wayne Bethea lost to light heavy Harold Johnson, 10. Bob Baker defeated George Chuvalo, 10.
French Champion Robert Duquesne stopped Francis Magnetto, 9 (non-title). Italian champion Uber Bacilieri retained his title by outpointing Antonio Crosia, 15.
Bob Biehler kayoed Jackie Richards, 3. Waban Thomas halted Neil Wallace, 9. Garvin Sawyer kayoed Willie Coleman, 4. Alfredo Zuany defeated Alvin Williams, 10, kayoed Willie Scott, 2.
Bob Woodall kayoed Bob Mitchell, 3. Mino Bozzano won over Maurice Mols, 8. Gerry Tessier kayoed Bernie Spencer, 3. Terry Lewis, kayoed George Tavares, 1.
Len Kanthal defeated John Henry, 6, and kayoed Nick Shanks, 2. Cal Butler decisioned John Harper, 6. Ernie Bernard beat Sonny O'Mara, 6, and Leo Merino, 6. Leo beat Jimmy Fisher, 6. Wayne Womochill decisioned Jack Wagner, 6.
Ernest Terrell bested Neal Welch, 6. Shirley Pemberton won from Dave Bailey, 6. Ted Donald stopped Willie Lee, 2.
Ose Groom kayoed Bill Pickett, 3. Bob Cleroux kayoed Norm Geddes, 2. Billy Walters kayoed John May, 3. Paul Daniels beat George Abinet, 6, but was kayoed by Sonny Moore, 3. Hans Kalbfell won the German title by stopping Heinz Neuhaus, 8. British Champion Joe Erskine retained his title by outpointing Henry Cooper, 15. Cleveland Williams stopped Bob Albright, 7. Len Kanthal whipped Fernando Fala, 8. Larry Zernitz kayoed Rob Robins, 2. Sonny O'Mara kayoed Russ Rose, 3. Yolande Pompey stopped Johnny Sullivan, 7. Randy Turpin halted Ahmed Boulgroune, 9.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS

Harold Johnson outboxed heavyweight Wayne Bethea, 10.
Canadian and British Empire Champion Yvon Durelle stopped Tim Jones, 8.
Alessandro D'Ottavio annexed vacant Italian title by beating Rocco Mazzolo, 12. Jose Tassara drew with Adolfo Cruz, 10. Gilbert Chapron halted Mario Faverzani, 8.
Donnie Fleeman kayoed Haywood Crosser, 3. Eddie Demars beat Sammy Walker, 10. Gilbert Chapron stopped Mario Faveranzi, 6.
Jerry Luedee stopped Freddy Mack, 8. Mike Holt kayoed Gordon Wallace, 1. Matt Jackson upset heavyweight George Peyton, 10.
Billy Ryan kayoed Joe Warren, 1, and Al Palmer, 1. Bobby King kayoed Milton Ebbs, 4. Rudy Williams beat Hank Mercer, 6.
George Jarosch kayoed Evans Burford, 3. Frank Lawson defeated Ted Poole, 6. Roque Maravilla stopped Wilson Hanniable, 6. Ronnie Washensky and Clarence Alford drew, 6. Chuck Church kayoed Johnny Williams, 1, but lost to Jackie Richards, 6.
Kid Sixto beat Joe Neal, 6. Ducky Dietz kayoed Huey Reed, 1. Eloy Vann whipped Gene Hymel, 6. Young Beau Jack kayoed Freddie Pope, 2, and Gordie McDougall, 3. Floyd McCoy beat Santiago Gutierrez, 6. Bobby Sand kayoed Willie Gilbert, 2.
Eddie Bramlett beat Harry Ball, 6. Bobby King kayoed Eddie Henderson, 7. Billy Ryan kayoed Willie Hartley, 1. Battling Siki outpointed Wim Snoek, 10.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS

Rory Calhoun outfought Joey Giambra, 10.
Gene Fullmer outfought Chico Vejar, 10.
Charley Joseph outpointed Charley (Tombstone) Smith, 10.
Del Flanagan outpointed Ralph Jones, 10. Willie Vaughn was held to a draw by Milo Savage, 10.
Neal Rivers and Al Williams drew, 12. Pat McAteer retained

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By DAN M. DANIEL

ROBINSON PRESENTS STUDY IN HUMAN CONTRASTS

RAY ROBINSON, born Walker Smith at Detroit on May 3, 1920, is 37 years of age. For a doctor, that age means the beginning of a career. For a grocer, it's the start of knowing who will, and who will not, pay their bills. For a professional boxer, it is the age beyond retirement.

However, the effervescent, ebullient and unprecedented Robinson belatedly, on May 18, celebrated his thirty-sixth birthday by knocking out Bobo Olson in four rounds. Still the middleweight champion.

Robinson is disliked by many people. He is hated by some. And he is the personal idol of many. But, whether you like him or hate him, you have to say this,—"*Here is one of the greatest fighters of all time.*" Perhaps some of the ingredients which make him disliked are essentials of his ring greatness.

They used to say that, for his pounds, Robinson was the marvel of his era. That was when he was younger and lighter, and not so much obsessed with business, a desire to accumulate riches, and give Walker Smith a chance to look upon Ray Robinson's raiment, surroundings and enterprises, and admire him tremendously.

This Robinson man is a complex character. He presents a lot of affirmations and so many negations. If, at times, he becomes venomous, if, at times, he becomes the zealot and the crusader, we must study the way Walker Smith grew up in Detroit, and make our conclusions from that. He has been making desperate efforts to force Time and Circumstances, and the World to make amends. He wants to be paid back.

RAY TRULY STANDS OUT AS A COMPLEX CHARACTER

An analysis of Robinson the man develops one set of x-ray pictures. A clinical study of Ray the fighter brings forth yet another mass of conclusions. Somewhere Robinson the boxer and Robinson the social entity must get together.

Analysis of Robinson the man inevitably must become entangled with the Negro Problem in the United States. Inevitably.

Analysis of Robinson the fighter places him out in plain view. A student, a calculator, a marvellous left hooker and thrower of combinations, in his heyday fast on his feet, always relentless. They say that there never has been a truly great fighter minus the killer instinct. Ray is well equipped in that direction.

Robinson has stood out as a boxer, a hitter, a ring general, a consummate achiever of feats without precedent.

Out of the ring, too, he has been incredible. Those who sat in the office of Julius Helfand, chairman of the New York Boxing Commission, not so long ago and heard Robinson conduct his own case in the hearing of charges growing out of his television hassle with the International Boxing Club, marvelled at the fluency and aggressiveness of the boxer.

It developed that Robinson had studied the law book, and had come well prepared for his case. He argued with vehemence, he threatened, he fought in that room like Robinson of the ring. Before long, Ray had everything he had sought, and far more than he had expected.

He bulldozed his way to victories over Jim Norris, Helfand, Theatre Television and those who had denounced him as a trouble maker, as an avaricious disregarder of other people's rights.

At no time was Robinson concerned with Carmen Basilio, whom he preferred to ignore and leave in the dim background as the Party of the Second Part.

Listening to Robinson, one got the idea that Basilio had been dragged in as an anonymous sparring partner for an exhibition. Basilio's financial rights, Basilio's merited respect as a fellow champion, Carmen's rightful measure of consideration as an earnest fighter of high integrity got not even a nod from Ray.

When it was all over, Helfand took pains to point out that neither Robinson nor Norris had given Basilio even so much as a passing nod of recognition in their debate. However, Helfand, too, was not entirely without guilt.

Basilio was going about his business, training hard, up at Alexandria Bay, N. Y., oblivious of the hassle down in New York. Basilio was quiet and dignified, and wisely removed himself from all contamination by the crass debate down on Broadway.

Basilio's attitude played up the competitive aspect of the match. Robinson's attitude played up what has been hurting boxing so seriously, how do we split the swag, and I ought to get the biggest share.

ROBINSON HAS HAD FIVE LIVES AS A PRO BOXER

As a professional fighter, that is, in the ring, and not in Uncle Sam's Army, Robinson has had five lives.

His first life in the ring came to a close on July 10, 1951, in London, when Randy Turpin outfought Ray and

Ray Robinson explains to New York State Athletic Commission his terms for going through with Carmen Basilio bout. Regardless of legal aspects, one outstanding Robinson characteristic was evident. Right or wrong, Ray had no consideration for anybody or anything but himself.

took the middleweight championship away from him.

Robinson was through, the experts announced. Robinson of his heyday would have taken Turpin apart. Ray's legs were gone, his timing was shot. He had wandered too far and too long along the Midway Plaisance in Europe, kissing and cavorting and frolicking.

The experts said "*Finis*" but Robinson knew better. He knocked out Turpin at the Polo Grounds that September 12 in ten rounds. It was touch and go. Ray had a close call. He was running out of gas.

This second life came to a close with something of a farce in New York on the very hot night of June 25, 1952, when Robinson was stopped by light heavyweight champion Joey Maxim in fourteen rounds.

Ray had thirteen heats to his credit when the intense heat knocked him woozy. It certainly wasn't Maxim who did it.

Just why Robinson wanted to be the light heavyweight champion is not now discernible. It was just another of the many Ray Robinson Enterprises.

The heat and the defeat conspired to bring Robinson's announcement, on December 18, 1952, that he had retired, and would devote himself to a new career as a night club performer.

TWO KNOCKOUTS OF OLSON FOURTH LIFE FEATURES

The idea that Robinson, a veritable Rademacher in the the entertainment world, could make a handsome living in that field soon became dissipated. The novelty wore off. Ray lost interest. But his dancing, such as it was, kept his underpinning in shape.

On January 5, 1956, Robinson, reportedly pressed for cash, started his third ring life. He knocked out Joe Rindone in six heats. That was on January 5, in Detroit.

Exactly two weeks later, that third phase came to a close. Robinson lost a ten round fight to Tiger Jones, in Chicago.

This really looked like the finish. Tiger Jones! But Robinson wasn't ready to quit again.

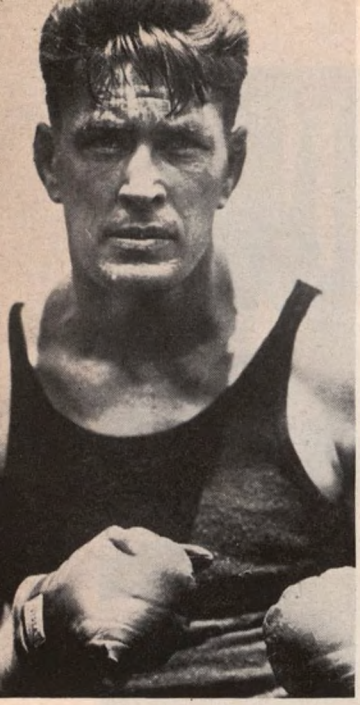
Slowly, step by step, Robinson rebuilt his career. Johnny Lombardo, beaten in ten in Cincinnati; Ten Olla, stopped in three in Milwaukee; Garth Panter, outpointed in ten in Detroit; Rocky Castellani, nosed out in ten in San Francisco; and then, Bobo Olson knocked out in two in Chicago, and Ray again the recognized middleweight champion.

On May 18, 1956, Robinson, enjoying his fourth life as a middleweight, once again knocked out Olson, this time in four rounds, in Los Angeles.

On November 10, 1956, Ray beat Bob Provizzi in a ten in New Haven. Robinson felt like boxing ten rounds in a workout.

On January 2, 1957 at Madison Square Garden in New York, his fourth life came to an end when he was knocked down and shun of his crown by the willing mauler from Utah, Gene Fullmer. Gene a strong, earnest battler would have been duck soup for Ray in his prime and in losing the title Ray looked all washed up. Yet on May 1st. in Chicago, Ray bounced back onto the throne by kayoing Fullmer in the fifth round with a brilliant two handed combination of a right under the heart and a left hook to the jaw. Once again "Sugar Ray" had comeback to begin a new life.

Now, 1957, Robinson and Basilio. The Fight of the Year.



GENE TUNNEY and The Clever Boys

By AL BUCK

WE live in a changing age when old values are being replaced by new situations and after covering boxing for over 30 years the writer must conclude the clever, scientific pugilist is a rapidly vanishing breed.

In a moment of reflection Gene Tunney's title winning battle with Jack Dempsey comes to mind. It was fought 31 years ago during the "*Golden Age of Sports*," and it was the first heavyweight championship I reported. In fact it was the first I ever saw, and what sticks mostly in my memory is the driving rain that fell throughout the 10 rounds.

It began to drizzle as champion and challenger entered the ring. Few among the 120,757, largest crowd ever to gather for a boxing affair were disturbed by the dampness. Dempsey was supposed to win and win quickly. Jack could be depended upon to get them out of there in a hurry. Few gave Tunney a chance.

Harry Wills, side-tracked because of his color, was the real threat to Dempsey's throne, or so it was believed at the time.

When the fight ended the vast throng was thoroughly drenched and there was a new world heavyweight champion. Fighting in Philadelphia's vast Sesqui Centennial Stadium, Tunney proved he was a scientific boxer. He was a throwback to James J. Corbett, first of the clever champions, and his victory was no less stunning than Gentleman Jim's knockout of John L. Sullivan many years before.

Of the heavyweight champions between Corbett and Tunney, and there were some great ones, only Jack Johnson was noted for fine defensive boxing. Nat Fleischer, publisher of The Ring, considers Johnson to be the greatest of all.

I wouldn't know. Johnson was before my time, but I do know Tunney didn't beat Dempsey on boxing alone. Among other things Gene was a well conditioned, confident athlete. He believes he won the title was his first punch. It was a right hand thrown inside Dempsey's left hook. Jack's knees sagged and he covered up. From then on the fight was all Tunney.

So surprising was the result, Tunney had to beat Dempsey again in Chicago a year later to convince the public he was indeed the heavyweight champion. Even so Gene was not alone among the clever fighters. In his era there were many smart, scientific boxers. Today only Sugar Ray Robinson and Archie Moore can be so classified.

Many consider Sugar Ray the equal of the great Benny Leonard who could punch as well as box. Moore knows all the tricks, and is always dangerous, although his style is different than Robinson's. Both belong to an era which also saw Willie Pep rise to fame. I have seen few who possessed Willie's skills.

Of the newcomers Hogan (Kid) Bassey, world featherweight champion, is a well rounded performer. He was impressive defeating Miguel Berrios in the semi-final of the recent elimination in Washington.

We live in the television age. The demand is for action. With talent scarce many youngsters are being rushed to the top before they are ready. What we are getting are slam-bang brawls, and since a fight has to go the limit to get in all the commercials, the sponsor is rooting against a knockout.

For the most part these fights are interesting and often exciting, but boxing, as seen on TV, can hardly be called the art of self-defense.

It hasn't always been like this, and it cannot be said Tunney was the last of the scientific champions.

Remember Jack Sharkey? He was the best equipped heavyweight I have ever seen. More years ago than I care to remember, I saw Sharkey start his career in Boston. His rival at the time was Jim Maloney, a popular pugilist with the Boston Irish. Sharkey never achieved the popularity that was Maloney's, but he did eliminate his rival while on the way to the heavyweight throne.

Maloney was a good puncher. He lacked Sharkey's speed. Jack could move. He could punch, too. Maloney won their first fight, a dull affair due to the respect the two youngsters had for each other. He never beat Sharkey again. The latter won on a foul the second time. The series ended in New York where Sharkey knocked out his Boston foe in five rounds.

There were many good fighters in New England in those years. There was a featherweight quartet consisting of Red Chapman, Honeyboy Finnegan, Chick Suggs and Sammy Fuller. There was a southpaw welterweight named Al Mello, who was never convinced he couldn't lick Ace Hudkins. He did lick a lot of others. There was also Hambone Kelly, a southpaw, who had Paul Berlenbach all shook up until "Oom Paul" closed in and knocked him out.

Sharkey became a title contender by eliminating Harry Wills shortly after Tunney won the crown from Dempsey. Wills was disqualified in the 13th with certain defeat only two rounds away. Of course Jack had a weakness. I always thought it was mental, and frequently he blew up in tight situations. This happened when Dempsey dug his left into the body. Sharkey's head was

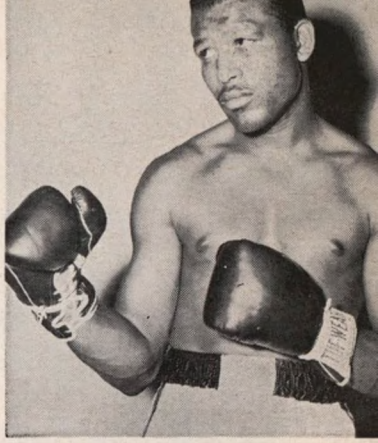
turned while he was protesting to the referee, and Dempsey finished the job.

Tommy Loughran, the good looking Philadelphian, must rank high among the smart boxers. He had a well educated left hand and it carried him to the light-heavyweight championship. His right lacked power, but he didn't need it fighting Johnny Risko, the Cleveland baker boy, in Boston. A few weeks later Risko, a solid fighter, had Berlenbach on the floor in New York.

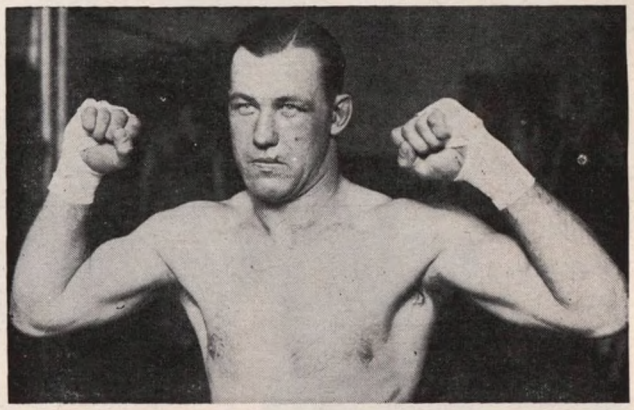
Loughran, trying to qualify for a shot at the heavyweight title, was stopped in three rounds by Sharkey. In that bout Tommy went looking for a chair to sit in, not realizing he was in the ring.

Phil Scott, the swooning Englishman, was another clever fellow. Unfortunately he had the traditionally weak chin of the British heavyweight.

Despite Tunney's success, the clever fighter doesn't always beat the puncher. Billy Conn, a light-heavyweight



Sugar Ray Robinson, rated among the top all-around boxers. Ray may be the last master of the pugilistic art.

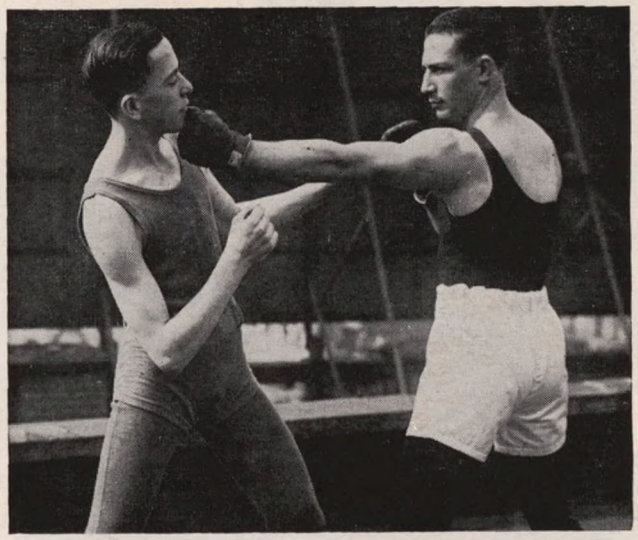


Jack Sharkey, former heavyweight champion, a clever boxer who never lived up to the great promise he showed early in his career.

champion, went against Joe Louis. For 12 rounds the Pittsburgh Kid was out in front. In the 13th Louis took him out with a right to the jaw.

This was their first fight, and not to be confused with their second, when after four years in the Army neither had much left. The first time two had Conn winning 7-5 and 7-4-1 while the third, Judge Healy, had it even 6-6 going into what was for him the unlucky 13th. When the bomb exploded all Referee Eddie Joseph had to do was count 10.

Louis did an even quicker job on another light-heavyweight champion, the smart John Henry Lewis, Joe got

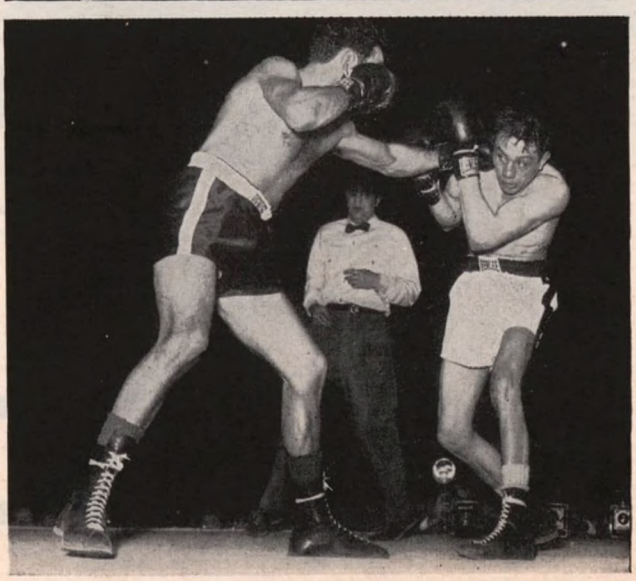


Benny Leonard, member of the Hall of Fame, uses his left on a sparring partner. Benny (right) possessed one of the best left hands in boxing history, and was a master of the ring science.

him in the first round with a long right to the jaw.

Moore had an experience similar to Conn when fighting rugged Rocky Marciano. Ancient Archie was battered down in the ninth, but in the opening round he had the heavyweight king on the canvas. There was nothing fancy about the Brockton Blockbuster. He was no fancy Dan, and with him boxing was not a science.

Marciano's strength and punching power paid off against most smarter opponents, among them Jersey Joe Walcott and Ezzard Charles. He retired after 49 fights still undefeated. No other former heavyweight champion can boast a perfect record.



Wee Willie Pep, former featherweight king, shows his boxing skill as he outpointed European champion Ray Famechon in their title bout. Pep, a flashy performer, was one of the ring's scientific marvels.

Many who saw Leonard in his prime say he was magnificent. I caught him only on his comeback. The skill was there for all to see, but at 37, he could not stand before Jimmy McLarnin's power-packed punches. McLarnin started out to be a boxer, and turned out to be a hitter. Abe Attell, the old time featherweight champion, reversed the order.

"People ask me how it is I won 15 of my first 16 fights by knockouts, and then, judging from the record, because a smart, light hitting boxer," said Abe the other day. *"Well*

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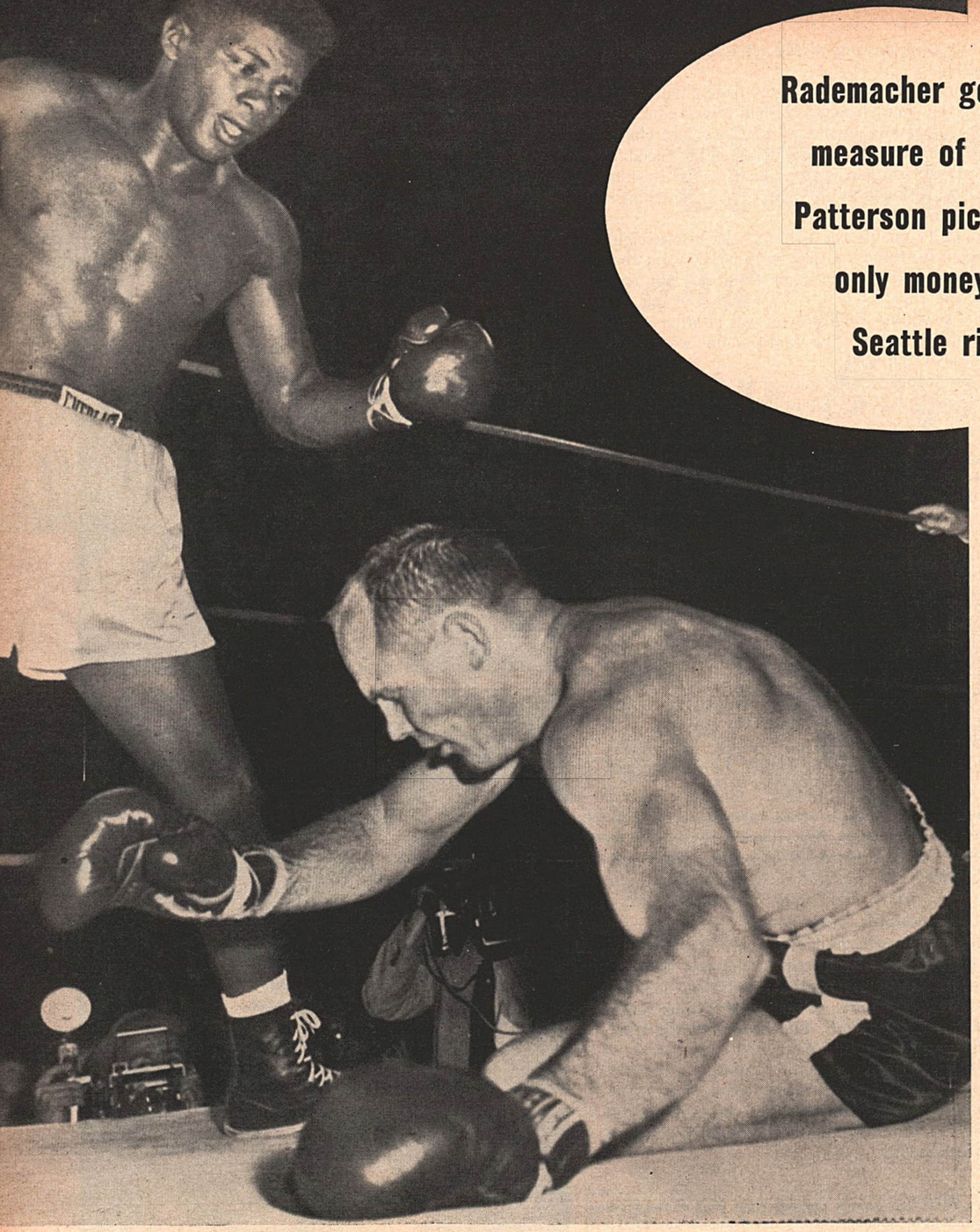

Here we see Rademacher down for the last time, in the sixth round, of his Battle of the Noble Experiment with Patterson in Seattle.

Rademacher got some measure of fame, Patterson picked up only money, in Seattle ring

Farewell, Courageous Pete!

By NAT FLEISCHER

PETER RADEMACHER, from the Yakima Valley in the state of Washington, Olympic heavyweight champion, had a dream. He became obsessed with the strange notion that he, an amateur, could win the world title from Floyd Patterson.

Rademacher no longer has that dream. He became disillusioned in a fight in which he somehow lasted through 2 minutes 57 seconds of the sixth round. He was trounced, whipped, beaten, belted, and knocked out. But let it be said, with emphasis, he wasn't outgamed.

After that fight, Rademacher got an offer of $20,000 from the IBC to come to New York for a fight.

Despite his having gone 17 minutes 57 seconds with Patterson, despite his having floored the champion of the world for a count of two, Rademacher has utterly no future as a professional boxer. He knows it. It is my firm conviction that he should hold tight to his laurels, and forget about answering the bell again.

Rademacher is vice president of "Youth Unlimited," a Columbus, Ga., organization fighting juvenile delinquency. There lies his destiny and his future.

Pete's Georgia backers dropped about $120,000 on their fantastic project, which was doomed to failure from the outset. Let's not have another such extravaganza.

As for Patterson, in his second defense of the title, he had best forget that he ever faced the Olympian. Floyd was a big disappointment. Analysis of the degree of disappointment is unnecessary. It is too deadly obvious.

Before Rademacher lies a career out of the ring. Before Patterson lies a June fight with Zora Folley, and according to his manager, Cus D'Amato, a possible fight in February in Texas with Roy Harris, both under the promotion of Emil Lence.

GAMENESS ALONE POOR JUSTIFICATION FOR ASPERATIONS

Self-confidence and courage are wonderful assets in boxing but are insufficient when one faces an opponent who, in addition to these qualities, possesses cleverness, punching power and ring savvy.

Rademacher learned that the hard way when the audacious amateur attempted to wrest the crown from Patterson. The former U. S. Army lieutenant now knows that courage, conviction and self-confidence can carry one just so far and no farther. His knockout defeat in the sixth round taught him respect for the difference between an inspired amateur and a professional who has reached the heights.

Five rounds and two minutes and fifty-seven seconds were consumed in Peter's futile and fantastic bid for world heavyweight honors.

"I want to get the feel of it just once," said Peter in 'The Ring' offices a few days before Youth Unlimited, a Columbus, Georgia, boys' organization arranged the Seattle affair, "and it must be in a championship fight."

Peter couldn't be persuaded that it isn't done that way. He got his wish, but more than he had bargained for.

He didn't cave in from fright nor succumb to the first solid clout he received, as had been expected. In fact, he took the play away from the champion in the opening rounds during which it appeared a grave error had been made and an injustice done to him by calling him an audacious, brazen amateur, unfit to oppose the King of the division.

Before a gathering of 19,961, far short of the 25,000 expected, but big enough to set a record gate for the Pacific Coast of $243,030, the amateur electrified all when, after winning the opening round by a slight margin, he crashed a club-like right to the side of Floyd's temple to drop the champion for a two count.

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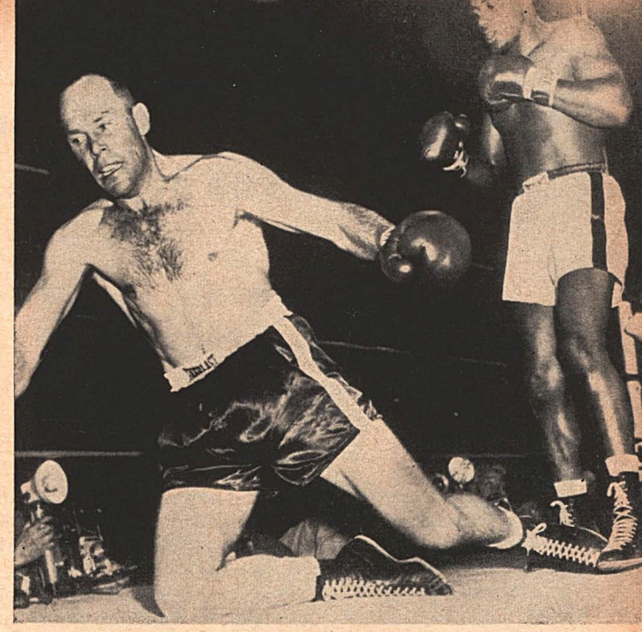
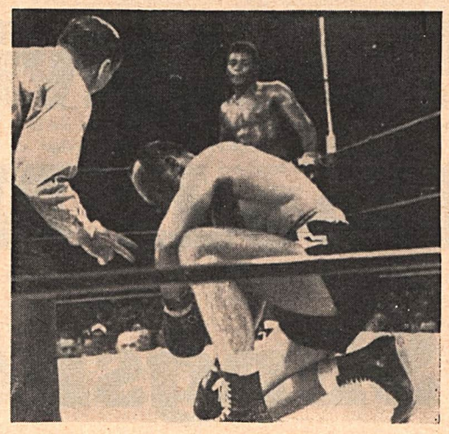
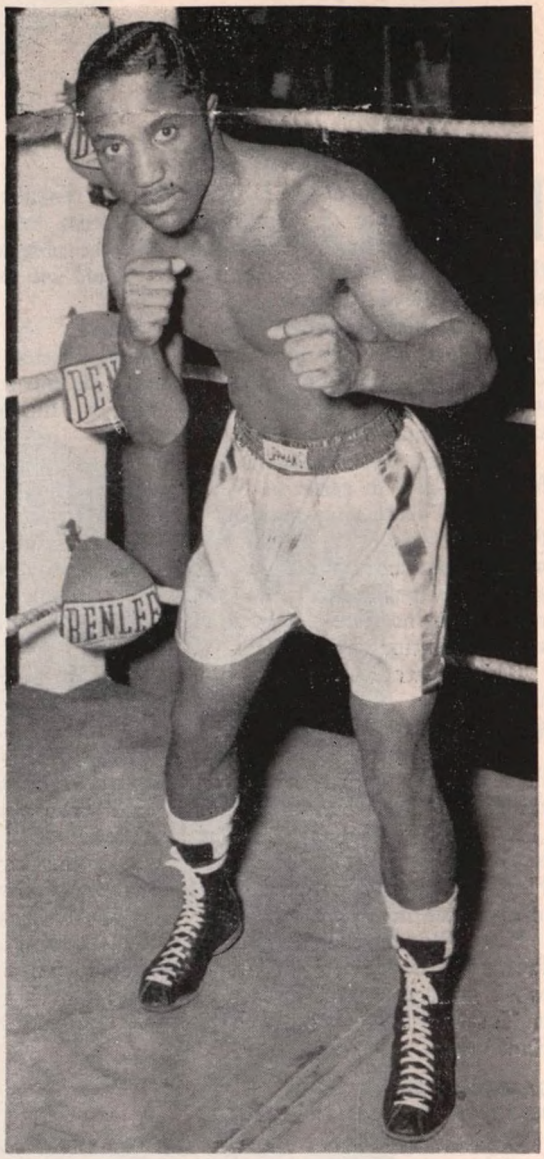


There is a look of astonishment on the Olympian's face as he goes down in the third round, first of a series of knockdowns at Patterson's hands.



Davey Moore, A Strong, Aggressive Youngster Making His Bid For The Big Time.

By FRED EISENSTADT



Davey Moore, a pint-sized featherweight, who in recent months has gained prominence in his class.

This David Needs No Slingshot

IN scoring a sensational upset victory over the clever unorthodox Panama featherweight champion Isidro Martinez at the Capital City Arena in Washington, pint-sized Davey Moore —hitherto unranked—crashed into the Number 6 spot of The Ring featherweight ratings. The Mighty Mite fought a plucky battle, plunging at his fast and tricky foe—despite a deeply gashed left eyebrow sustained early in the bout—tossing left and rights, making Issi back away or hold on.

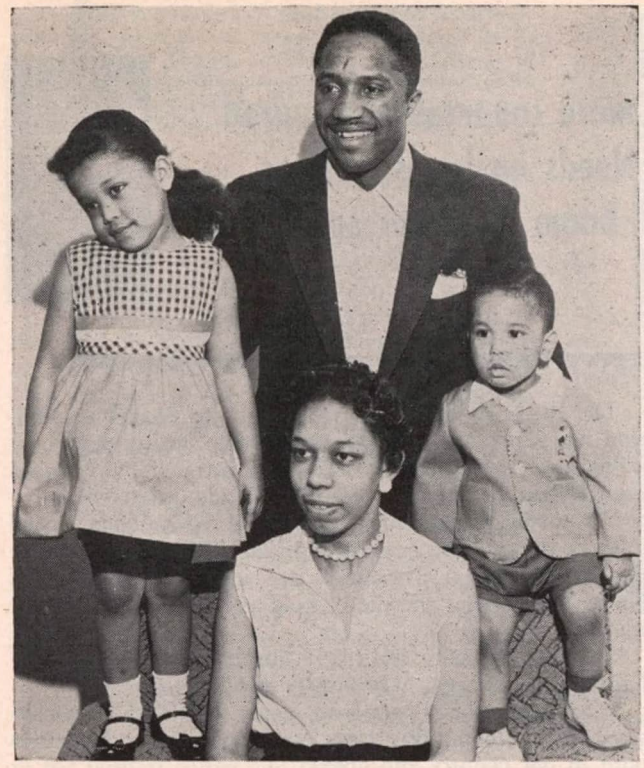
"I beat Martinez in Panama, on March 1, 1955," declared Moore. *"But they gave him the duke—naturally, the fight having taken place in his own hometown, Colon. Since then I had been anxious to get Martinez in the ring again and even matters with him. It was a long chase, two years, but finally I evened the score with him."*

For several months it appeared that Little Davey might not get his chance for revenge, Isidro first being laid up with a bad case of the grip, then the measles, then a badly upset stomach—causing three postponements of their engagement. Finally Martinez, irked and embarrassed over the undersized scrapper's open declaration that the Panamanian feared to fight him—announced that not only was he now well enough to fight but was anxious to have Moore as his opponent.

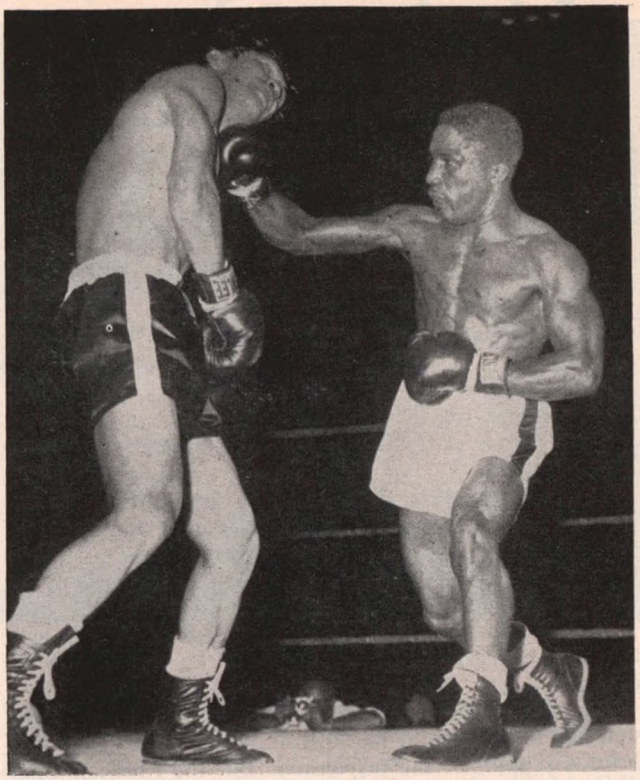
Martinez had started the fracas in the flashy manner that had popularized him—jabbing, skipping about and countering—but being familiar with Issi's baffling style, Davey boxed calmly, blocking or picking off the various blows and retaliating with solid wallops that staggered or shook up the Panamanian. Steady and watchful, Moore kept on pressing his foe—thus nullifying his opponent's speed and trickery.

In the second round Moore caught his switch-hitting foe on the chin with a well-timed left hook and Isidro hit the canvas. Up after a short count, he took the mandatory "eight" and resumed fighting, but he looked weak and the clang of the gong came to his rescue. Going to his corner the cocky Panama Prancer grinned—but he also wobbled.

Isidro's manager, Manuel Alfaro logically claimed that the lingering effects of the virus had not completely left his protege—though Issi "looked" okay —and that the illness had left him weak and not ready for a tough fighter like Little Davey. *"It was obvious,"* said Alfaro, *"that Martinez was not the same as when he completely outscored Ike Chestnut at the same arena in his first United States showing in December of last year, or in halting Bobby Courchesne in Madison Square Garden in January of this year. You can be sure,"* added Manuel, *"that Isidro was not himself when he boxed Moore."*



Moore's immediate family. (Left) Davey's daughter Denise Darcel, age 5; (Right) son Ricardo Martinez, age 3; (Center) his wife, the charming Mrs. Geraldine Moore. Davey is in the rear.



Moore (Right) lifts a powerful right hand uppercut to the jaw of Victor Manuel Quijano of Mexico in their ten round bout at the Syracuse War Memorial Auditorium. Moore won a split decision.

Be that as it may, Little Davey fought an excellent fight, scoring a clean-cut victory over the gracefully clever Panama featherweight champ.

The little ringman proved that he's tops as a fighter by outpointing another champion. In August, Davey Moore took the measure of Mexico's featherweight title holder Victor Manuel Quijano in a lively rumpus, in Syracuse, N. Y.

"In winning over Martinez and Quijano," observes Willie Ketchum, who has been managing Moore for the *past two years, "Davey has proven that he is deserving a chance to fight the world featherweight champ, Hogan Kid Bassey. But we're willing to meet the leading contenders—and eliminate them—for a battle with Bassey.*

"Look at the good fighters Davey met," resumed Ketchum, catching his breath. *"Drew with Charley Riley, lost hair-line decisions to seasoned Russ Tague and Jackie Blair. Moore defeated Ray Riojas—a mean-punching lightweight—and Pedro Tesis, the fighter who twice won over Isidro Martinez in 15-round bouts. This makes Davey more than just a good fighter."*

The little fellow must be good, he comes from a good family. Born in Lexington, Ky., on Nov. 1, 1933, Davey's father—Reverend Howard T. Moore—is a minister. The Reverend and his large family moved to Springfield, Ohio, in 1934, and is now pastor of the Jesus Only church in Urbania.

"When I was a school-boy, papa used to punish me for fighting on the streets by denying me things I liked best," reveals Davey, youngest of seven brothers and two sisters. *"But that failed to keep me from fighting, because that really was what I liked most. But as I got older, I outgrew street-fighting."*

Although short in stature, Davey Moore was a star on the St. Martin's Catholic Church team. But it probably was his destiny to become a fighter; five of his brothers had taken a crack at amateur fisticuffing.

Davey began to compete as a simon-pure at the age of sixteen—that was in 1948—and claims to have scored 120 victories, losing but 5 bouts. In 1952 he garnered the National AAU featherweight championship. *"Then, coming down in weight,"* points out Moore with some pride, *"I captured the bantamweight title. I was still attending high school when I commenced amateur competition."*

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A posed family shot of the large Moore family of which Davey and his brother Philip are the only two missing. (Top row—left to right) Esther, sister; Nathaniel, brother; Mirriam, another sister, Mrs. Jesse Moore, Reverend Howard T. Moore, Davey's father. (Bottom row) Brothers James and Samuel.

Nat FLEISCHER says:

Less talk, more cooperation required
Boxing Needs no Investigations
Look for Boom in indoor season.

STRANGE are the workings of boxing commissions! Mexico is a member of the National Boxing Association.

Mexico knew that the license of Art Aragon of California, convicted of an attempted fix, had been revoked by his own state and by the National Boxing Association and that until such time as his pending appeal was decided, he would not receive reconsideration.

Yet the Mexican Commission permitted Aragon to fight at Tiajuana against Alfredo Cota of La Paz whom he defeated.

This against the plea of the California Boxing Commission and in defiance of the N.B.A., which urged the wholehearted support of the suspension. But the Mexican Commission decided otherwise and turned down the pleas.

However, following the fight, it announced: "*Aragon will not be permitted to box again in Mexico. He has been banned at the request of the California Board and the N.B.A. Our Commission permitted Aragon to fight Cota because it was too late to cancel the fight. We didn't want to interfere with the promotion.*"

How ridiculous! Who is kidding whom?

I am of the opinion that Aragon received a raw deal when he was sentenced for offering Dick Goldstein a bribe to throw a fight that didn't take place. He was convicted on the testimony of a boxer who had been in difficulties before and has fought under several names.

But since Art's license had been revoked and will not be renewed unless he should win his appeal, such decision as the Mexican Boxing Commission rendered is preposterous. The members knew the status of Aragon, yet permitted him to fight. The object? To attract a big attendance and a good gate.

That's one of the many things that is disturbingly wrong with boxing. Commissions disregard their own regulations if a deal can be made to help a local promotion.

What good can be accomplished by the N.B.A. if it is flouted by its own members as in the Mexican and the Patterson-Rademacher cases?

The N.B.A. must clamp down on insurgents. Members who refuse to abide by the regulations which they have helped to pass, so long as States' Rights are not interfered with, should be banned from the organization. At its latest annual meeting in Denver, Colorado, the N.B.A. merely discussed lack of cooperation.

Talk, more talk—and soon we'll find boxing in the midst of another Aragon or Seattle affair.

CONGRESSMAN KEATING FOR INVESTIGATION OF BOXING

When the Norris-Robinson debate was at its height, Congressman Keating spoke up in Washington for a Federal investigation of boxing. He called for a house cleaning following the shellacking Peter Rademacher took from Floyd Patterson and Robinson's demand for a greater share of the closed circuit theatre TV moneys from his fight with Carmen Basilio.

The State of Washington, through its Boxing commission and Governor Rosselini, ruled that boxing could not be harmed by an amateur making his pro debut in a world heavyweight title bout and decried outside interference.

Fortunately Rademacher, fearless and self-confident, made a hit by decking the heavyweight king in the second round and came through without serious injury though he was floored seven times and didn't have a chance after the third round.

Governor Rosselini and his boxing board were saved embarrassment, for which boxing is grateful.

What might have happened, never was taken into consideration by them. But it was by almost every sports writer both in our country and abroad.

Even in the Rademacher-Patterson case, however, no Federal investigation is in order. The legislative powers granted by Washington State's legislators to the boxing commission, cannot be interfered with by outsiders—not even Congressman Keating or his colleagues.

They can suggest, as Julius Helfand representing the World Championship Committee. J. Onslow Fane, Chairman of the British Board of Boxing Control, Floyd Stevens, President of the National Boxing Commission and I among others did in the Seattle affair—but no more.

I cannot see wherein boxing as a business should be blamed for the above case or for the Robinson-Norris Commercial battle.

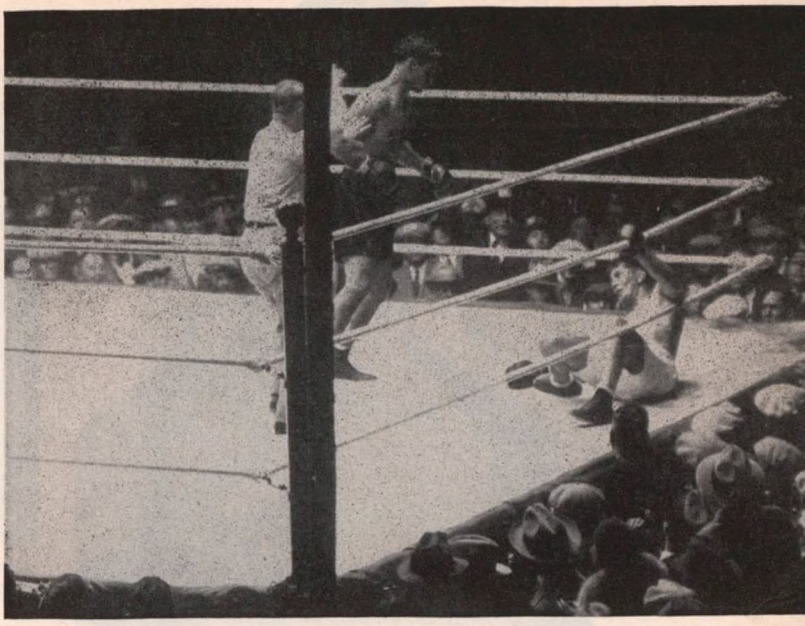
The hue and cry for Federal investigations seems to be a hobby with certain Congressmen and Senators, State and National, who apparently get a thrill out of seeing their names in the headlines on the sports pages. I thoroughly disagree with Congressman Keating and others who keep harping on the need for a National Federal Boxing Commissioner for boxing. That would really put boxing into the dumps.

As a Congressman, Keating should know that his aims cannot be accomplished since a Federal Commissioner would automatically supercede a State Commission in violation of State Rights and there isn't a legislature in our Union that would give up such rights without a fight. Such bodies in each State are responsible for enacting the laws under which boxing is now governed, and the repeal of the law in each State would be necessary before a Federal Commission could take over.

More thought on such problems concerning boxing investigations and Federal Control should be given by Congressman Keating before he again urges government action.

IT HAPPENED THIRTY YEARS AGO IN SOLDIER'S FIELD

Thirty years ago, on September 22, 1927, one of the most historic battles in the annals of pugilism took place in Soldier's Field, Chicago, a contest in which Jack Dempsey made an unsuccessful attempt to regain the world heavyweight title from Gene Tunney. "*The Battle of the Long Count*", it is called, and as such, it has received probably



An historic knockdown that shook the boxing world thirty years ago. Gene Tunney, taking the *"long count"* in his battle with Jack Dempsey at Soldiers' Field, Chicago. It occurred in the seventh round as 105,000 fans yelled for the *"kill"*. But Gene recovered quickly and retained his throne. September 22, 1927 was this history making date.

more publicity and has been the subject of more disputes than any in recent years.

Though the years have passed, there is no let-up in the discussions on the count, Referee Dave Barry's right to delay it and the adoption of the neutral corner. The general impression seems to be that because of Dempsey's failure to step to a neutral corner when Tunney had been dropped to the canvas, that rule followed.

The Chicago battle is frequently listed as the one responsible for the *"neutral corner"* rule being adopted.

But this is not so. It was on the books long before the return engagement but only occasionally prior to the fight, was it given much consideration. When the Walker Law went into effect in New York and soon became the pattern for all such laws in other states, Section Three stipulated:

"When a knockdown occurs, the timekeeper shall immediately arise and announce the seconds audibly as they elapse. The referee shall see first that the opponent retires to the farthest corner and then, turning to the timekeeper, shall pick up the count in unison with him, announcing the seconds to the boxer on the floor. Should the boxer on his feet fail to go or stay in the corner, the referee and timekeeper shall cease counting until he has so retired."

That is the rule that Barry invoked when Dempsey refused to obey his command and go to the farthest corner. Had not Dempsey's chief of staff, Leo P. Flynn, insisted in a pre-fight meeting with the Boxing Commission and Tunney's advisors that *"the neutral corner"* rule be strictly enforced, Jack might have regained his crown.

Tunney has always insisted that he could have gotten to his feet at any time within the legal limit had it been necessary, but the picture of the knockdown, indicates otherwise. He was aided considerably by the extra seconds —some say fourteen as "The Ring Editor" clocked it; Bob Edgren of the "New York Evening World" timed it 16 seconds and the watch of Hype Igoe of the "New York Journal" indicated seventeen.

No matter what the extra period, Gene definitely got the benefit of a long count that saved him from losing his crown.

Due to the fuss made over the *"farthest corner"* rule which at the time was not in the rules of the Illinois Commission, Leo P. Flynn and Bill Duffy, Dempsey's advisors, had the boxing board incorporate it in their regulations the day before the Chicago bout that drew 104,943 persons and a record gate of $2,658,660. Jack, eager for the kill once he had Gene down, forgot what he and his mentors had so bitterly fought for at the Commission session, shoved Barry aside when ordered to the neutral corner while arguing with Barry who refused to start counting until Dempsey obeyed him. By then Tunney's brain had somewhat cleared and at least fourteen seconds elapsed from the time he collapsed until he got to his feet to resume the battle.

That was the unforgettable *"long count"* that saved the crown for Gene and it took place three decades ago.

INDOOR SEASON LIKELY TO BRING BOON TO CLUBS

Judge Ryan's decision declaring the International Boxing Club a monopoly may and may not be the cause of it but the fact remains that more than a dozen small clubs either have reopened their doors, are planning to do so with the start of the indoor season or are staging shows more frequently than heretofore. The first show in seventeen years was recently staged in Chicopee Falls, Massachusetts. Sam Silverman has announced the reopening of his Fall River Club. Holyoke, under the new management of Gus Morelli, has arranged for Duke Stefano, well known matchmaker identified with the Emil Lence productions, to arrange the cards. Duke will also be associated with Lence in Emil's Eastern Parkway Arena which will run this winter.

In Portland, Oregon, Tommy Moyer who has been carrying on with occasional shows, has signed with a local radio and television company and will carry on weekly through the winter. Jeannette, Pennsylvania is still another that present local attractions.

The difficulty, however, is finding top talent.

With the lifting of the 33⅓ percent entertainment tax, British boxing is looking forward to an encouraging "boom" during the coming indoor season. Teddy Waltham, secretary of the British Boxing Board of Control, has been quoted as saying that smaller clubs, put out of business by the heavy tax, will be back in action.

Let's hope the anticipated *"boom"* becomes a fact. There is no livelier sports nation in the world than Britain, and boxing has long played an important role in the athletic program there. In recent years, the sport has been sliding downhill. In 1952 a total of 700 fight cards were staged throughout England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland. By 1956 that number had shrunk to about 300, and the total of professional boxers had shrunk from 2,000 to 800. The heavy amusement tax was generally blamed, but it also was obvious that not only the quantity but the quality of the boxers had taken a disheartening dip downward.

As of this writing, Britain hasn't more than a half-dozen fighters deserving of *"world"* rating. It does claim one world champion in an adopted son, featherweight Hogan Bassey of Nigeria. Aside from bantamweight Peter Keenan and possibly welterweight Peter Waterman, there are no home breds who could be considered seriously for other world titles.

Britain is sadly in need of *"new blood"* in boxing. With more activity on the part of the smaller clubs, now that the stifling amusement tax has been lifted, youngsters may be encouraged to try their luck in the ring, and it is on these youngsters that the British must rely if they are to regain

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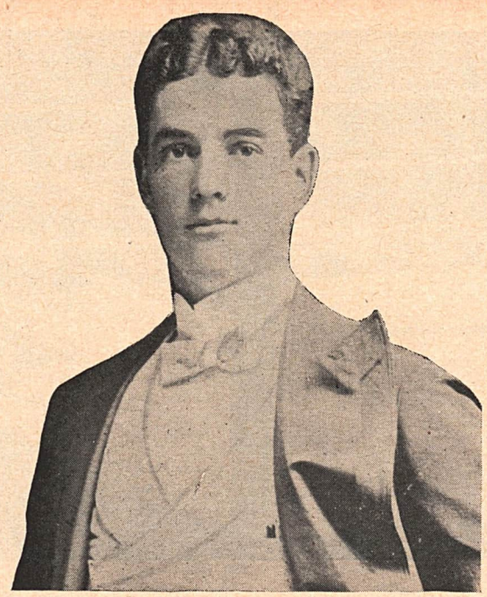
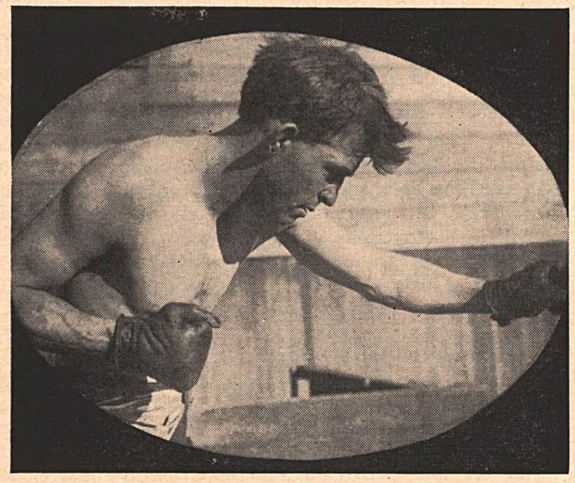
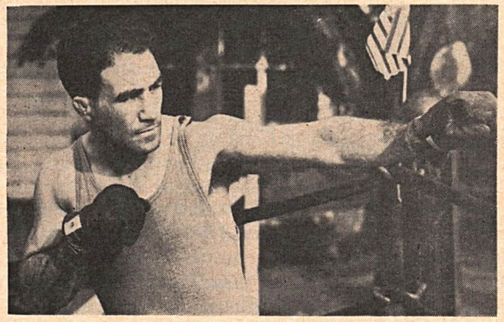


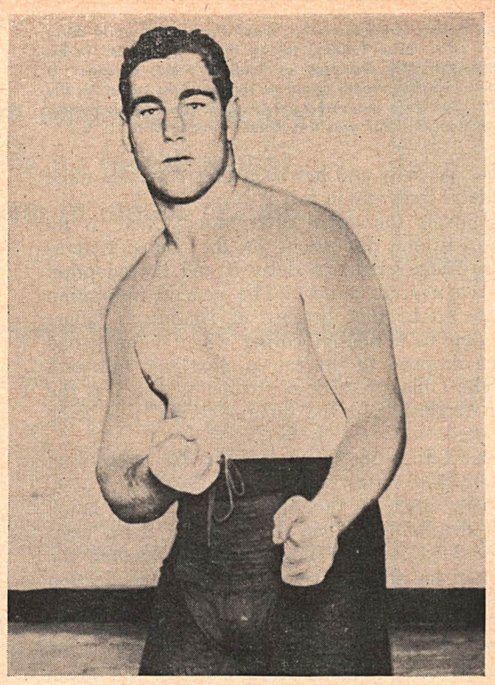
One of the trickiest boxers the ring has ever known, Kid McCoy was an overwhelming choice of the Old-Timers Committee, with 17 of a possible 20 ballots.



Battling Nelson, the Durable Dane and former lightweight champion, whose battles with Joe Gans became ring classics, was another popular selection of the Old-Timers.



Only "modern" ringster to be elected was the colorful "Scotch-Wop," Johnny Dundee, who capped a long, industrious career by winning the world featherweight championship.



The ill-fated Les Darcy, great Australian middleweight, who died in the United States before American fans had a chance to see him in action, was another choice of Old-Timers.

By DAN DANIEL

BOXING'S Hall of Fame now boasts 47 members, all duly elected within the last four years by three constituted groups of authority, ring knowledge, familiarity with fistic history and, through the selections, evident perspicacity.

These groups of electors are the Old-Timers' Committee, the boxing writers and broadcasters of the world, and the Board of Directors of the Boxing Hall of Fame, Inc.

The 1957 annual elections of the three bodies to whom preservation of the Hall of Fame has been entrusted produced six new members of this fistic Pantheon, visible evidence of which may be found in the Madison Square Garden headquarters of The Ring Magazine in New York.

The Old Timers' Committee named as many as four new members to the Hall of Fame. They are lightweights Battling Nelson and Packey McFarland, and middleweights Les Darcy, of Australia and Kid McCoy.

The writers and radio and television commentators picked only one man, lightweight Johnny Dundee.

The Board of Governors, having to do with candidates of the bare knuckle era, also named only one, England's Charley Mitchell, who actually was only a middleweight but fought as a heavyweight.

With these additions of 1957, the Pioneer Group now numbers 19, from Jim Figg to Jack McAuliffe, Mitchell, and John L. Sullivan.

The Old Timers' Group lists sixteen boxers, from Bob Fitzsimmons to Darcy, and the Modern Group shows an even dozen entries, from Dundee on through Joe Louis.

MODERN GROUP CONSIDERS BOXERS OF 35 YEAR RANGE

What regulations govern the allocations to the three bodies of electors? Well, the Modern Group, composed of writers and air commentators, must confine itself to the consideration of boxers who have been active within the last 35 years, and have been in retirement for at least two.

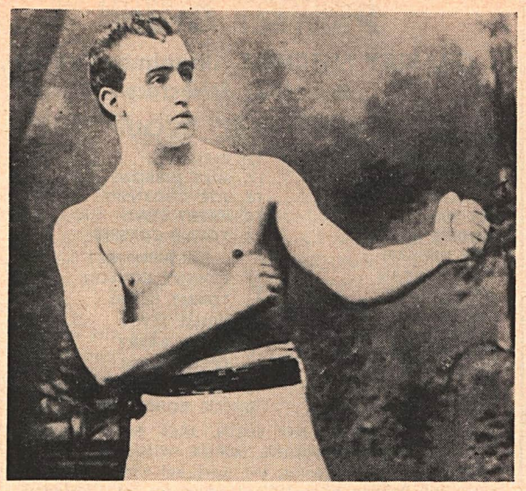
The Old-Timers' Committee concerns itself with fighters who were active more than 35 years ago, but who did not go back to the bare-knuckle era.

The Board of Directors must confine its choices to the pioneer era which ended that night at New Orleans when Jim Corbett knocked out Sullivan. Each group of electors is restricted to the choice of not more than ten boxers each year.

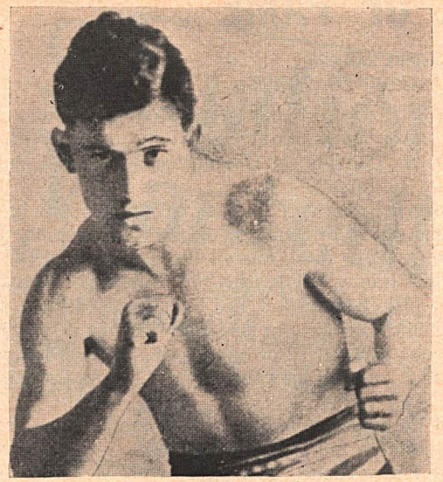
As yet, only those who have fought in the ring are eligible. In time, the scope of the Hall of Fame may be widened to take in referees, and perhaps promoters, as well. Just now there is no strong sentiment among the directors of the Hall of Fame to permit the entry of any but fighters.

There is no desire on the part of the directors to crowd the Hall of Fame, or to rush elections. It desires to maintain the Pantheon as a highly restricted area of fistic greats down through the years.

In order to make it eminently difficult to gain election, the rules insist that a candidate poll at least 75 percent of the total vote cast by the Old Timers and the Modern Group.



Little more than a middleweight, Charley Mitchell made ring history when he fought the mighty John L. Sullivan to a 39-round draw in Chantilly, France.



Packey McFarland, one of the most dazzling boxers of all time, was another top-heavy pick of the Old-Timers. Packey matched McCoy with 17 of possible 20 votes.

SIX ELECTED IN 1957 HALL OF FAME . . .

One "Pioneer," Four "Old-Timers" and One "Modern" Join Boxing's Hall of Fame in Fourth Annual World-Wide Voting by Sports Writers and Radio and Television Sportscasters

THE IMMORTAL 47 ELECTED TO DATE

Elected by Modern Writers and Broadcasters

JACK DEMPSEY
HENRY ARMSTRONG
HARRY GREB
JOE LOUIS
TONY CANZONERI
MICKEY WALKER
GENE TUNNEY
BENNY LEONARD
TOMMY LOUGHRAN
BARNEY ROSS
JIMMY McLARNIN
*JOHNNY DUNDEE

Elected By Old-Timers Committee

STANLEY KETCHEL
JACK JOHNSON
JAMES J. CORBETT
TERRY McGOVERN
ABE ATTELL
JEM DRISCOLL
JOE GANS
BOB FITZSIMMONS
JAMES J. JEFFRIES
SAM LANGFORD
JOE WALCOTT
GEORGE DIXON
*PACKEY McFARLAND
*BATTLING NELSON
*KID McCOY
*LES DARCY

PIONEER GROUP

Elected By The Directors

JAMES FIGG
JACK BROUGHTON
TOM CRIBB
JEM MACE
YOUNG GRIFFO
JOHN MORRISSEY
JOHN L. SULLIVAN
JACK McAULIFFE
TOM HYER
*CHARLEY MITCHELL
WILLIAM RICHMOND
DANIEL MENDOZA
TOM SAYERS
GENTLEMAN JOHN JACKSON
ARTHUR CHAMBERS
JOHN C. HEENAN
NONPAREIL JACK DEMPSEY
WILLIAM THOMPSON (BENDIGO)
PETER JACKSON

* 1957 Designations

HALL OF FAME . . .

DUNDEE BARELY MAKES ELECTION IN MODERN GROUP

Thus, with 114 votes ballots entered by the writers and air men, a boxer had to get at least 85 to qualify. With 20 members on the Old Timers' Committee, a candidate had to land at least 15 votes.

The Moderns came very close to electing nobody at all. Dundee squeezed in by a margin of one vote, with 86. The second choice, Tony Zale, was all the way back in the 79 bracket, while Jimmy Wilde, the No. 3 man, got 69 votes.

After the little Briton came Kid Chocolate, with 64; Jack Britton, 59; and Lew Tendler and Billy Petrolle, 57 each.

Nobody else received 50 or more votes, the No. 8 choice, Marcel Cerdan, coming up with 49, and Georges Carpentier with 37.

Many of the modern electors did not avail themselves of the opportunity to put down ten names.

The Old Timers named 26 fighters, with McFarland and McCoy topping the canvass with 17 votes each, and Nelson and Darcy qualifying with 15 each.

Freddie Welsh, one-time lightweight champion, failed by a margin of only two votes, with 13. Pete Herman, Tommy Ryan, and Ad Wolgast got 11 each, and Kid Lavigne drew 10 votes.

Battling Levinsky, Jeff Smith, Jack Blackburn, Willie Ritchie, Johnny Kilbane, Jimmy Wilde and Ted Kid Lewis all got mention in the Old Timers' poll, but the votes were wasted as these men were fighting after the 1922 deadline set for the veterans' group.

MITCHELL "LITTLE GIANT" ONLY ONE WHO INTRIGUED DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors took up the availability of quite a list of bare-knuckle heroes, but could not muster sufficient support for anybody but the amazing Mitchell, who though he weighed only 165 pounds, took on bigger and much heavier men without any thought to his physical handicap.

Of the six new members of the Hall of Fame, McCoy, welter champion, Nelson, lightweight king, and Dundee, featherweight leader, held world titles.

Just how well the electors of 1957 did their jobs is stressed by examination of the records of the half dozen successful candidates. Every one of them belongs, not one may be deemed as unworthy of the great distinction.

For Dundee, the election comes at a most propitious time. Of the six, he is the only living veteran. Hale and hearty approaching his sixty-fourth birthday, Johnny may be seen in the Garden area in New York almost daily.

He makes his home in East Orange, N. J.

Of the half-dozen, Mc Coy, who committed suicide and had a truly horrible existence after he had left the ring, and Darcy, who died in this country of a broken heart, ripped beyond endurance by unmerited criticism and charges of being a slacker, had most tragic ends.

RING ACHIEVEMENTS OF NEW HALL OF FAMERS

JOHNNY DUNDEE
(Joseph Carrora)

Johnny Dundee, dubbed the "Scotch Wop", was one of the greatest featherweights of all time. He fought every boxer of note both in his own division and in the lightweight class and stood out among the top ranking pugilists. He was a main event fighter for almost twenty years.

His real name is Joseph Carrora. He was born on November 22, 1893 in Sharkai, Italy and came to America at an early age. He started boxing in 1910 and won his first fourteen bouts, all in New York. Among the stars he fought were Benny Leonard, Willie Jackson, Freddy Welsh, Joe Mandot, Rocky Kansas, Lew Tendler, Ever Hammer, Joe Rivers and Leach Cross.

He was fast and a sharp hitter. He was a wizard in fighting off the ropes. He never tired. He possessed great stamina and a fighting heart. His bouts with Sammy Mandell, Tony Canzoneri, Tod Morgan, Kid Sullivan, Eddie Cannonball Martin and Sid Terris were all top events in New York's fistic history.

On January 15, 1917 he suffered his greatest fistic shock

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Pioneer Group

CHARLEY MITCHELL, unanimous choice, Board of Directors

OLD-TIMERS' GROUP

PACKEY McFARLAND	17	DIXIE KID	5
KID McCOY	17	MIKE GIBBONS	5
BATTLING NELSON	15	JOE CHOYNSKI	5
LES DARCY	15	HARRY LEWIS	5
FREDDIE WELSH	13	YOUNG CORBETT (Bill Rothwell)	5
PETE HERMAN	11	JOHNNY COULON	3
TOMMY RYAN	11	TOMMY BURNS	3
AD WOLGAST	11	WILLIE LEWIS	1
GEORGE KID LAVIGNE	10	JIMMY BARRY	1
PHILA. JACK O'BRIEN	9	FRANKIE NEIL	1
TOM SHARKEY	9	FRANKIE BURNS	1
JACK ROOT	7	JOE BOWKER	1
OWEN MORAN	6		
JACK DILLON	6		

BATTLING LEVINSKY, JEFF SMITH, JACK BLACKBURN, WILLIE RITCHIE, JOHNNY KILBANE, JIMMY WILDE, and TED (KID) LEWIS also received votes, but were not eligible because they were still fighting after 1922 deadline for the Old-Timers.

MODERN GROUP

JOHNNY DUNDEE	86	BENNY LYNCH	4
TONY ZALE	79	MARCEL THIL	3
JIMMY WILDE	69	JOHNNY KILBANE	3
KID CHOCOLATE	64	GUS LESNEVICH	3
JACK BRITTON	59	YOUNG STRIBLING	2
LEW TENDLER	57	SAMMY MANDELL	2
BILLY PETROLLE	57	JAKE LaMOTTA	2
MARCEL CERDAN	49	NEL TARLETON	2
GEORGES CARPENTIER	37	DAVE SANDS	1
PANCHO VILLA	36	CHARLEY WHITE	1
JAMES J. BRADDOCK	36	FRITZIE ZIVIC	1
TED KID LEWIS	29	MIKE McTIGUE	1
TIGER FLOWERS	27	ACE HUDKINS	1
JERSEY JOE WALCOTT	25	TOMMY FARR	1
LEW AMBERS	23	PETER KANE	1
TOMMY GIBBONS	22	EARL MASTRO	1
FIDEL LaBARBA	20	FRANKIE GENARO	1
BILLY CONN	17	LEW JENKINS	1
HARRY WILLS	16	MIKE GIBBONS	1
MAX BAER	13	LUIS ANGEL FIRPO	1
MAX SCHMELING	12	CHARLEY BURLEY	1
BUD TAYLOR	12	JIMMY SLATTERY	1
JACKIE KID BERG	11	IKE WILLIAMS	1
JACK DELANEY	11	PANAMA AL BROWN	1
MAXIE ROSENBLOOM	6	STEVE BELLOISE	1
ROCKY GRAZIANO	6	MANUEL ORTIZ	1
JACK SHARKEY	5	LOUIS KID KAPLAN	1
PAUL BERLENBACH	6	FREDDY MILLER	1
SAM McVEY	6	BENNY BASS	1
JOHN HENRY LEWIS	4		

RECEIVED VOTES BUT ALL READY ELECTED

JIMMY McLARNIN	1	JOE LOUIS	1
MICKEY WALKER	1	HARRY GREB	1
HENRY ARMSTRONG	1	BARNEY ROSS	1
JACK DEMPSEY	1	BENNY LEONARD	1
GENE TUNNEY	1	STANLEY KETCHEL	1

RECEIVED VOTES BUT BELONG WITH OLD TIMERS

PHILADELPHIA JACK O'BRIEN 1

PETE HERMAN	1	BILLY PAPKE	1
JACK DILLON	1		

RECEIVED VOTES BUT NOT ELIGIBLE AS STILL ACTIVE

RAY ROBINSON	11	WILLIE PEP	1

RECEIVED VOTES BUT NOT RETIRED LONG ENOUGH

ROCK MARCIANO 4

By MURRAY GOODMAN

Situation Wanted!

Retired heavyweight champion Marciano, now transplanted to Miami Beach, seeks work.

"FORMER fighter, clean-living, good family man, seeks gainful business connection. Have excellent references. Willing to travel if necessary. Tuxedo available for after-dinner speeches. Please write to new Miami Beach, Florida, address."

If you find an advertisement like this in the business section of the New York Times, don't be surprised. It could happen. Rocky Marciano, retired undefeated heavyweight champion of the world, is looking for work.

"You can say," declared Rocky by phone from Miami Beach, "that I am open to offers. Don't get me wrong. I don't need money. But I want to occupy my time in the best way possible and if somebody comes along with a business proposition and wants a partner who will work hard, that's me.

"I feel that my name and the number of friends I have in every way of life is a saleable commodity. Everywhere I go, people want me to speak. I get thousands of requests for appearances. I never run charity down when I'm available but I got to thinking that I might as well put myself to work for myself. If I had a business, the right kind of business, good will appearances would be a vital part. That's the thing I do best and if I can help sell for other people, why not for myself?"

Life has changed a bit for Marciano since he announced his retirement from the ring in April of 1956. First, on September 1, he celebrated his 34th birthday.

"You can safely say that any position offered that includes the wearing of boxing gloves is out. I've done enough fighting and I'm completely retired," Rocky added.

At 34, Rocky is slightly heavier and his hair has thinned a bit more so that you could call it prematurely balding. He had gone as high as 225 in weight and, alarmed at his own laxity, had gone into a Miami gym to take some poundage off.

"Everybody started calling me about my comeback," he laughed.

He has sold his Brockton, Mass., home and purchased the house of his friend, Jack Werst, the Dayton, Ohio, jewelry king, in Miami Beach.

"I love it out here," he declared. "I have some interests in Cuba and fly up and back and it gives me the chance to be a family man. My family is more important to me than making all the money in the world. No matter what I do, they will come first. I plan to spend most of my time with them.

"I thought that when I retired, I could live my own life. Unfortunately, an athlete is a marked man for life. He is a public figure when he's fighting and retirement doesn't change it. Actually, I'm flattered that people still want my autograph and look for me to go places.

"But you can't keep doing this forever. There comes a time when you've got to think of your wife and kids.

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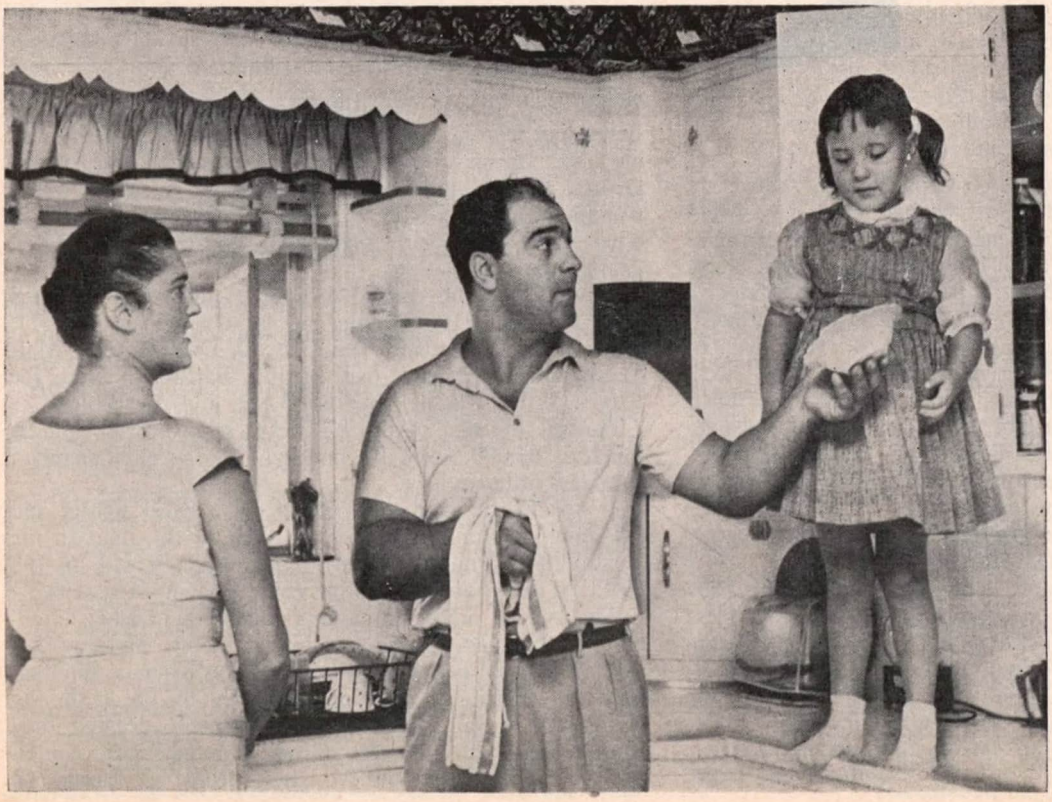

Rocky Marciano, ex heavyweight champion of the world in the job he likes best, the roles of a husband to his wife Barbara and father to his daughter Mary Ann. The photo was taken in Rocky's new home at Miami Shores, Florida, where he intends to settle permanently.

THE RIGHT CROSS

By JOHNNY SALAK

Leach Cross, the Pride of the Ghetto, forerunner of many great Jewish battlers.

THE recent passing of Leach Cross brought into even more sharp relief the vast changes that have overtaken the sport of boxing in the past half century.

Cross fought in an era when there were more fight clubs running in metropolitan New York than you have fingers, when neighborhood rivalries were bitter little wars, and zest and color which came natural were the keywords which clamped a tight hold on the paying public.

Born and brought up on New York's teeming lower East Side, he was to become an idol and a symbol to the people of his race. His home was the section where pushcarts clogged the streets, tenements with their railroad flats were a raised monument to a new-found freedom and the people somehow thrived, an overabundance of population forever shouting as if to acclaim this fact.

Leach—his real name was Louis Wallach and he was born of Orthodox Jewish parents—was one of the first prides of the Ghetto—the forerunner of such great Jewish gladiators as Benny Leonard, Sid Terris, Al Singer, Ruby Goldstein and the rest. Jack McKeck, who was a Jew; Dolly Lyons and Joe Bernstein predated him, but it was Cross who really met with success in peddling boxing to those of his race on the lower east side. It was he who inaugurated the resin racial rivalry in New York, the fans coming out not primarily because of who he was but moreso because of what he was, an Irish, Italian or Jewish fighter. Cross was one of the greatest of the club fighters and though he never was a champion, he fought the top men of his division at a time when there were many great ones and there were fewer gamer battlers than he.

Among those he tangled with in a career that stretched from 1906 to 1916, with the inevitable comeback in 1921, were Packey McFarland, Jim Driscoll, Dick Hyland, Matt Wells, Charley White, Jack Britton, Battling Nelson, Joe Rivers, Willie Ritchie, Freddie Welsh and Ad Wolgast.

He was the first of the big ticket sellers. Cross sold as much as $4,000 worth for one fight in the club membership days of boxing.

It was Leach who said, "Show me a street fighter and I'll show you some one who can fight in the ring. In my neighborhood you had to whip the toughest kid on the street or move, and my family could not afford to move."

The kids of his neighborhood called him Lachey, probably an abbreviated version of his last name. Among other sports which he participated in, there was distance running. Once on entering a meet predominated by the Irish, the youngsters of the Clark House Settlement decided they would stand better chances if they adopted Celtic names. So the Levys, Cohns and Morrises became O'Flannagans,

Houlihans and Murphys, and someone suggested that Lachey Wallach use Christy Cross. The name eventually went to Lachey Cross and finally wound up as Leach Cross.

Leach was never reluctant to tell of his sad beginnings as a pro fighter. "I lasted one round in my first start, two in my second and three in my third, and was dumb enough to believe that I was improving," he'd laugh.

But improve he did until he became one of the cleverest, trickiest, gamest fighters in the business. It was Cross who was the inventor of the "stall," a procedure that often brought disaster to an opponent who fell for it, or caused him to become so wary that Cross, when hurt, would have time to recover.

There was, for instance, the time that he fought Charlie Griffin at the Clermont Rink in Brooklyn in the winter of 1911. When Leach went into the ring he told his brother Sam, who was handling him, that he would try to end matters as quickly as possible by means of a bit of deception. He and Griffin went through a fast first round, a hair-raiser in which many punches were landed and Griffin's cleverness stood out.

When the second round got under way, Griffin hit Cross a solid blow on the mouth. Here was the chance for which Leach was waiting. He quickly backed away, held one glove to his mouth, looked down at the canvas, and then let out a yell! "MY TEETH. LOOK OUT. I LOST MY BRIDGE. DON'T STEP ON IT!"

Griffin dropped his guard and looked down, as did the referee, each in an effort to avoid crushing the denture and help Cross retrieve it. In a flash, up came a hook that landed with such force it toppled Griffin to the canvas with a thud. The referee, astonished at the turn of affairs, stood dumbfounded, forgetting to count over Griffin, who was out cold. Eventually the count was made and Cross leaped over the ropes and to his dressing room, amidst rounds of applause and considerable laughter.

A ten round no-decision contest with Willie Ritchie at the old Garden was the closest Cross came to obtaining a shot at the title. It is listed among the most savagely fought battles.

In the third round Ritchie dropped Leach flat on his face but knowing of Cross' stalling tactics, in which he feigned being hurt, only to whistle a right hand punch to an opponent's jaw as they came in wide open, Ritchie held back. This time his reputation pulled him out of a tough spot. Cross was so badly hurt that another righthand wallop on the shoulder, dropped him again.

Up at nine, he slumped back like some one wounded, which he was. Ritchie wasn't buying it. "Come on and fight. I know all about that," sneered Ritchie, keeping his distance and giving Leach's aching head time to clear.

Cross was one of the few fighters we know of who kept a diary during his ring career. It makes interesting reading, many of the comments clever and witty, many of them giving a keen insight into the abilities and shortcomings of some of the great fighters.

After the Ritchie fight the notation reads, "It is best to force him and keep him busy, as he lacks experience and gets lost like all beginners." This of the man who was then world lightweight champion.

Cross considered Joe Gans, Packey McFarland and Benny Leonard the three most formidable lightweights he ever saw. He wrote, "I met McFarland twice and Jim Driscoll and almost hit both of them! But Freddie Welsh was the most skillful defensive boxer of them all."

He called Gans the "Rolls Royce of the ring, because he moves so easily," and Leonard was "the perfect fighter."

Purses were different in Cross' day and though he packed them in and made himself a small fortune in the ring, what he received would be laughed at by some of the six round boys who are fighting main events on TV today. The largest amount he ever drew for a bout was $5,300. This was when he won a twenty rounds decision from Joe Rivers at Vernon, Calif., in 1911. And for his slashing forty-one rounds knockout at the hands of Fighting Dick Hyland in 1909 he received the magnificent sum of $472.50.

Leach Cross, after his ring career was over, dabbled in many things. In 1925, while in Los Angeles, his wife created the "Goofy Bird," a novelty which caught on and which Cross marketed.

Cross used to laugh as he told of the humorous ending to that fight. "They allowed only short fights in San Francisco—nothing over 25 rounds. So we went to the little town of Colma for this one, which was scheduled for forty-five but lasted forty-one and was fought in a drizzling rain. I was on the floor 36 times. Imagine it! Hyland knocked me out in the forty-first. We got back to the dressing room, they revived me and a pal of mine waiting until the place cleared, asked me very confidentially, 'Leach, tell me as a friend, did you quit?' I nearly spit in his face, friend or no. 'Did I quit,' I screamed. Down 36 times and you ask me that? If I quit I certainly took one helluva long time making up my mind!'"

Many believe that the Hyland fight was his toughest battle. But Cross thought otherwise. He remembered best as his hardest battle the one that a successful Philadelphia furniture dealer, Isaac Rozetzky, gave him.

The fight was held at the Manhattan Casino, a low, rambling dance hall near the Polo Grounds, the same dusty arena in which Benny Leonard later won the title from Freddie Welsh. The date was February 3, 1911 and Rozetzky was then known as Young Sammy Smith. He had followed an older brother, Sammy, in the ring, a brother who had fought such men as Terry McGovern, Young Corbett and Joe Gans. The older brother campaigned under the name of "Sammy Smith," hence the "Young Sammy Smith" assumed by Ike.

Smith had done most of his fighting in Philadelphia and Leach had never seen him until they climbed into the ring. Imagine Cross' surprise when he noticed that Smith was wearing glasses. There probably never was a boxer who appeared to have such poor eyesight as Smith. The lenses of his glasses were a quarter of an inch thick and when called to the center of the ring by the referee for instructions, he had a habit of moving up close to his opponent, squinting through the "cheaters" as though intently studying the other man's face.

He did that very thing to Cross when Referee Dan Tone began going over the rules and Leach almost laughed out loud. It was sure a joke to him.

"Can you imagine this guy thinking he can lick me?" Cross said to his brother Sam when he returned to his corner to await the opening gong. "If he can't see me with those headlights on, how can he hope to see me when he takes 'em off? Sammy, this is going to be a shame!"

And looking across the ring Leach grinned to himself as he noticed one of Smith's second meticulously putting

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WITH OUR SERVICEMEN

By "G.I." JOE SMITH

HEILBRONN—A former middleweight who fought the best in his division—including former world champions Tony Zale and Jake LaMotta—has been named coach of the 1957 28th Infantry boxing team.

He is Sfc Anthony J. "Tony" DeMicco, Co. A, 28th, who, in a professional ring career that spanned 102 fights, chalked up a record of 87 wins, 13 losses and two draws.

Rated among the top-ten middleweight contenders in the world by The Ring Magazine in 1948-49, DeMicco said the most satisfying of his 102 bouts was a 1940 slugfest with Lee Sala, a "boy wonder" who had won 50 consecutive pro fights.

"If he could have gotten past me," DeMicco smilingly recalled, "he was to get a shot at Marcel Cerdan, at that time the middleweight champ."

They met in Buffalo, Sala's boxing home town, and the "boy wonder" aged in a hurry. Sala parted with his win streak and title hopes as DeMicco scored a ten-round upset decision.

They split a pair of subsequent re-matches, Sala winning the second and DeMicco grabbing the rubber match, both on decisions.

That same year, spoiler Tony kayoed a clever newcomer named Rocky Castellani. Three years ago, Castellani failed in his bid to wrest the middleweight crown from champion Carl "Bobo" Olson.

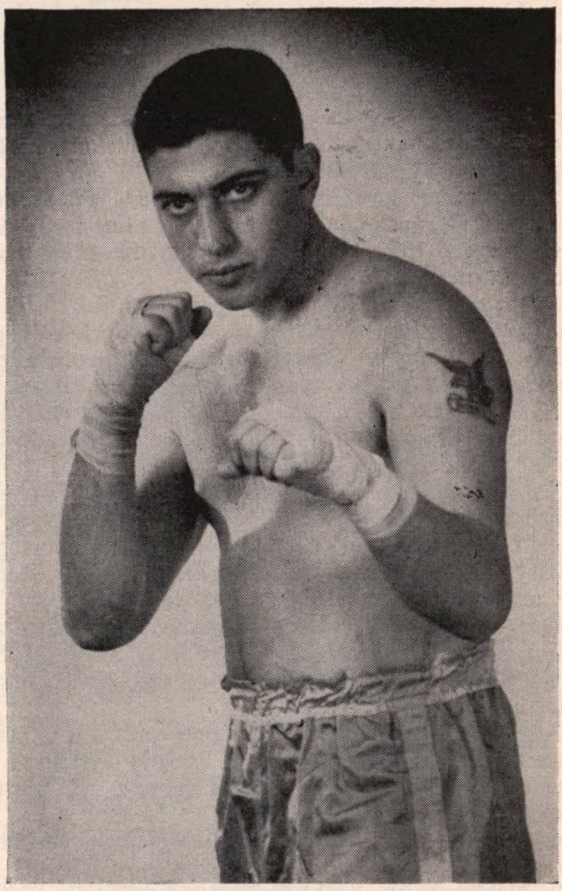
Some of DeMicco's other victims include Steve Belloise and Walter Cartier, whom Tony belted out in the 5th round of a 1949 bout.

The new coach also recalled how he decked French middlweight Robert Villemain six times in a New York bout, only to lose a one-point split decision to his battered but popular foe.

As for Tony Zale, mused DeMicco, "He was tough." Zale decisioned DeMicco in a ten rounder in 1948.

DeMicco said he has the nucleus of a good squad in heavyweight Baxter Burke and Willie Lowry, who won 8th Division titles in their respective weight classes last year, and middleweight Paul Segura and Rafail Smith and featherweight Doug Cross, all veterans of last year's squad.

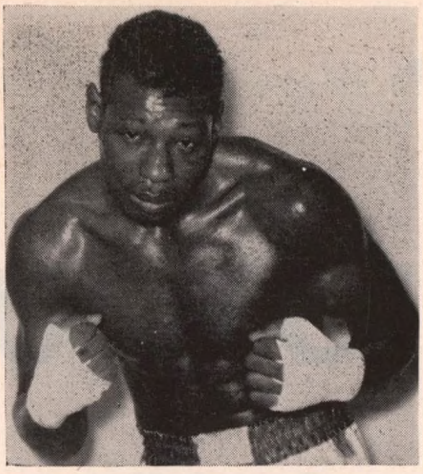
H. E. Achor, TE3, former editor of the Zipper, now in Headquarters' Operations Department, and Miss Frances C. Stefan were married in New York.



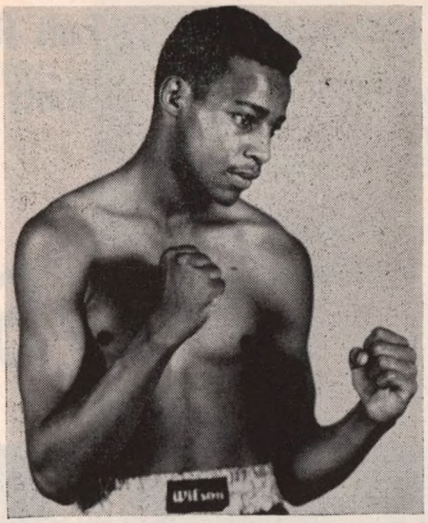
Former heavyweight from the Marines with a fine service record of 23 wins and 3 losses, Len Kanthal, who as a pro has won eight straight fights.

Miss Stefan is a resident of Maspeth, N. Y. They will reside in New York until Achor is discharged, and will move to his home town of Hammond, Ind.

The end of a fine service newspaper came to a close.



Robert Lee Scrivans, formerly of the U. S. Air Force, now fighting pro out of California.



Another top welterweight from the Air Force is Sylvester Simms, of Walker Air Force Base.

The Zipper, for Atlantic Reserve Fleet personnel was ordered to halt operations as the Navy's bid for greater economy in its non-essential expenditures. We are all going to miss this fine paper and the information we culled from it.

P. B. Austin, JO3, the last editor, did a wonderful job and we hope to see his byline with some other paper soon.

AIR FORCE HEAVY FLYING HIGH

Robert Lee Scrivans first saw the light of day on May 13, 1933 in Sumter, South Carolina. He attended elementary school in Sumter then moved to Philadelphia, with his mother, father, two sisters and one brother. After graduating from John Partram High School he started boxing in the Police Athletic League as a middleweight. He enlisted in the Air Force in 1952 and won numerous Air Force titles and won 43 out of 50 amateur bouts. He was honorably discharged from the Air Force in April 1956.

In January 1957 he turned pro and won the Sacramento County heavyweight championship in his first bout, a six round decision over Calvin Chambers. He has won 10 out of 12 professional fights and reversed an earlier loss to Joe Louis III by trouncing him soundly in a return six. His other loss was to Rueben Vargas, an 8 round TKO.

Bob is 23 years old, 6 feet, 1 inch and weighs 183-195 pounds. He is a good puncher and an excellent boxer with 4 KO's out of 10 wins. He is very quiet and polite, likes to dress well at all times, but conservatively so. His hobby is collecting and listening to modern rock and roll records. When not training Bob has a craving for Chinese foods. He is single and hopes to use his ring earnings to go into business. He would like to settle in California and have his family join him here. A very determined young man, Bob has his eye on some of the top heavyweights in the near future. He is presently employed as an Aircraft sheet metal man for Transocean Airlines. Bob is managed and trained by Don MacBrair of Sacramento, address—General Delivery, McClellan AFB, California.

Post Cards . . . Howard Gosser, All-Navy welterweight champion in 1952, is the boxing coach at San Diego MCRD.

Robert Randolph, All-Army welterweight champ in 1948, has been reassigned from Korea to Ft. Mead. Bob has gone into the ring 530 times and emerged victorious on 450 occasions.

Ft. Knox, Ky. . . . A young Army chaplain will take over a pulpit here—as soon as he completes a 45-day wrestling tour of Japan.

The grapplin' chaplain is 1st Lt. Halcott M. Turner, 26, who won the national Olympic free-style wrestling crown in the 174-pound division in April. He entered the Army June 24.

The Army granted him leave to make the tour as a member of a team invited by the Japanese government. There are several other servicemen on the squad.

A Presbyterian minister, he's a graduate of Union Theological Seminary, New York, and the University of Virginia.

Asked whether he'd like a chaplain's assistant, who weighs 175 pounds and wrestles, Chaplin Turner replied: "It would be fine if he can also play the organ and type. I can do neither."

Len Kanthal, former U.S. Marine heavyweight and Golden Glove Champion, Washington D.C., East Coast Golden Glove Champion, New York City, National Golden Glove, International Golden Glove Champion. Kanthal also held the All-Marine heavyweight title. He is now fighting as a pro out of New York and making rapid progress up the fistic ladder.

During his amateur career Len Kanthal fought Pete Rademacher in the Miami AAU tournaments in 1956. Kanthal won a decision from Rademacher by flooring him twice in the third round. He says that Rademacher can hit, and hard.

Len is married and has two children, Aaron (2 years) and Karren (8 months). His wife's name is Bobby.

Former middleweight contender Tony DeMicco, now a career soldier with the 28th Infantry, is boxing coach of the 1957 team at Heilbronn, Germany.

Recent Demonstrations By Fans Recalls The Good Old Days When Riots Were Commonplace

THOSE RIOTOUS NIGHTS

Announcer in foreground gives blow by blow account of rough house that went on for ten minutes following Ray Robinson's kayo of Joe Curcio at Madison Square Garden in 1946.

AS Pedro Montanez, hero of the Puerto Ricans, and Leonard Del Genio, with his solid Italian following, were being introduced amid general clamor, a chunky, cocky-looking little man slipped into a ringside seat.

Those down front in Madison Square Garden on this night of May 15, 1936, recognized him as Jimmy Cagney, New York-bred movie star, and, beyond all doubt, one of the toughest guys on the screen.

The film fans in the house buzzed. *"Takes a lot to back him off,"* one noted. *"In the pictures he wipes out machine gun nests with his bare hands. Did you see him in—"*

Just then the clang of the opening bell interrupted conversation.

Soon the action fell into the familiar Montanez pattern, the opponent locking one of his (Pedro's) hands while Montanez laced away furiously with the free fist.

Cagney could be seen grinning appreciatively.

"You see," the movie-goer pointed out, *"he likes it rugged."*

Del Genio was getting the worst of it and Pedro's mob howled with delight.

When the referee stepped in between, there was an angry roar from the Montanez clan. Two more breaks by the referee—and now they were furious.

Another quick glance at Cagney disclosed that he was having the time of his life.

Then it happened—a knife came hurtling down from the balcony and imbedded itself in the canvas directly in front of where the movie actor sat.

This had come just as the bell clanged and the ringside buzzed with excitement while special police raced up to the balcony in a search for the knife-thrower.

It was a few minutes later that the cinema addict looked for Cagney—and just caught sight of him disappearing through an exit in the back of the ringside.

Although a courageous guy off as well as on stage Jimmy Boy had decided that discretion was the better part of valor. He had come to the arena for entertainment as had other fans and there was no point in being physically injured. There was no point in playing the hero on this night off.

Some boxing customers traditionally believe in free speech and free action. There have been many cases in which fans

By LESTER BROMBERG

***"He should get the chair,"* this irate fan bellows at referee Harry Ebbets who had just stopped the bout between Barry Allison of Holyoke and Garnett Sugar Hart of Philadelphia. Allison was being hit at will and the contest was halted to prevent him from receiving further damage. St. Nicholas Arena was a scene of bedlam as boos and chairs were thrown into the air by fans who disliked the decision.**

broke loose more wildly than any film script could have prescribed.

Recently the St. Nick's, one of America's oldest fight clubs, had an evening to remember, as a result of which two fans went to the hospital, another was arrested, and Teddy Brenner, the matchmaker, received a warning from Julius Helfand, chairman of the New York State Commission, to *"police the building better in the future."*

What it amounted to was the climax of a rivalry of two local fighters, Eddie Lynch and Danny Russo. The followers of Lynch, a West Sider, had been in the habit of setting off firecrackers and unloosing pigeons in the arena. "We've got a secret weapon," promised the rooters for Russo, a Brooklyn boy.

Meanwhile an agent for the ASPCA had been informed of the pigeon bit. When the birds were heaved ceilingward from a box, the agent raced in and grabbed a customer. "You did it," he shouted and dragged his protesting prey off to serve him with a summons.

Then came the secret weapon—eggs flung into the ring. En route one splattered the sporty British tweeds of Jack Hand, Associated Press fight writer. These continued to arrive intermittently. Finally Johnny Addie, ring announcer, shouted: *"It's bad enough to have had these pigeons and the firecrackers but, if you don't stop throwing things, the commission will stop the fight."*

Relative quiet reigned for a few rounds and suddenly ringsiders saw two spectators, bleeding profusely, being escorted to the first aid room. It developed that fans from the rival camps had been slinging chairs at each other. The victims, one of whom got a broken nose and another a scalp wound, were just unlucky bystanders.

A few days later chairman Helfand held a hearing . . . his reaction was outwardly stern, inwardly amused. *"No pigeons, no firecrackers,"* he commanded. *"And police the building better in the future."*

But the chair-heaving that night wasn't a patch on what happened some years ago in Fort Hamilton, when Pete Mead boxed Herbie Kronowitz. Mead was a stranger in the club but Kronowitz came from Coney Island and numbered among his supporters some members of Murder, Inc. When the decision went against Kronowitz, they stormed into the Mead rooting section swinging chairs.

Promoter Jack Monahan appealed to Announcer Addie, *"do something to quiet them."*

"I'll sing the Star Spangled Banner," Addie declared.

And, for the duration of the National Anthem, they didn't make a move. As soon as the last notes faded away, however, crash bang! slam! they were at it again.

It required a full detail of military police, rushed over from the barracks, to simmer things down.

On another occasion at Fort Hamilton there was a neighborhood fighter in a preliminary. Judging by the volume of cheers when his name was announced, he had brought more than his share of backers.

The boy's talent wasn't equal to his support. He fell behind and Mike Parisi, the referee, stopped the fight to save him from unnecessary punishment.

Parisi had returned to a neutral corner to await the introduction of the fighters in the next bout when he heard someone behind him call his name. As he turned, a man vaulted up onto the ring apron and punched Mike squarely in the face.

Both surprised and hurt, Mike bled from the nose as police nailed his assailant.

X-rays divulged that Parisi had suffered a broken nose. He was in position to press criminal charges and a damage suit against the fellow. Mike would do neither. *"He's just an excitable fan,"* the referee said, *"why should I hold it against him?"*

Speaking of excitability, any fight writer of recent years must remember the behavior of Rocky Marciano's loyalists the night of his fight with Jersey Joe Walcott at Philadelphia.

Get the picture—

It's the 13th round and Rocky has been taking a shellacking from the old man. If they finish 15 rounds, Walcott can't lose. Then, with Joe backed against the ropes, Rocky's dynamite right blasts Walcott into insensibility on the floor. Marciano is the champ on one big punch and . . . the boys let loose.

They're so crazed with joy that they pour down the aisles, brushing past the police and ushers. They reach the working press and they literally trample the newspapermen in their anxiety to get into the ring to embrace their hero. Typewriters are kicked over, telegraph instruments dislodged. It's like a tidal wave.

Later the newspapermen forgave them. But, for the moment, it was a ruthlessly inconsiderate performance in which they were interfering with men at work, men glorifying their idol at that.

There was another incident of similar nature when Marcel Cerdan knocked out Tony Zale for the middleweight title.

Eager to get to Cerdan, his fans charged the ring. This

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TV and BOXING

By JOHNNY SALAK

Bill O'Mara, Radio KING (Seattle) sportscaster who, perched atop a garage outside the stadium, did a running account of the Patterson-Rademacher title fight, while a blinding beam of a searchlight was deliberately aimed at stopping him.

WHEN final arrangements were completed for the TNT telecast of the world middleweight title bout between champion Ray Robinson and challenger Carmen Basilio on September 23, at Yankee Stadium, New York, 173 theatres in 130 cities were lined up to carry the bout.

The network, the largest of its kind ever, reached 39 states, the District of Columbia and three provinces in Canada. Leading the list was the Los Angeles area, where 12 theatres telecast the bout. Close behind was the Chicago area where there were nine theatres and a total seating capacity larger than that of the Chicago Stadium. The combined seating capacity of Los Angeles and Chicago alone was greater than that of the Yankee Stadium, where the fight was held.

The telecast of the bout into Canada marked the first time that a closed-circuit network had been set in that country. Vancouver, in British Columbia; Toronto, London, Ottawa and Hamilton in Ontario; and Montreal, in Quebec, were included in the closed-circuit telecast.

Philadelphia had five locations, with Camden, N. J., just across the river, giving that area six. Detroit had five locations, Boston four and the smallest city on the network was Yakima, Wash.

More than 25,000 additional miles of telephone lines were ordered along with 100 TNT large-screen TV projectors to theatres which required them for the big-screen telecast.

TNT cameras which telecast the contest were installed on a specially constructed elevated scaffold and platform located behind ringside at Yankee Stadium. This marked the 140th closed-circuit TV production by TNT.

TV BOXING

MONDAY

ST. NICHOLAS ARENA, New York (DuMont TV Network), Chris Schenkel, Announcer.

WEDNESDAY

WEDNESDAY NIGHT FIGHTS, emanating from various cities (ABC-TV Network), Jack Drees, Announcer.

FRIDAY

† **CAVALCADE OF SPORTS,** Madison Square Garden, New York, and other cities (NBC-TV Network), Jimmy Powers, Announcer.

† Also heard over NBC Radio Network, Don Dunphy, Announcer.

It was the third appearance for Robinson in a TNT telecast. In September 1951 Robinson re-won the middleweight title from Randy Turpin before a 25 theatre TNT web and in June 1952 he failed in a bid to take Joey Maxim's light heavyweight title before a network of 85 theatres.

Following a bitter, belated and determined struggle by Robinson for a better deal out of theatre TV, in which he threatened to cancel the bout and wanted another outfit, TelePrompter Corp., to handle the closed circuit affair, new arrangements were concluded.

Originally, early in July, TNT had offered a bare minimum guarantee of 250,000 seats with a stated expectation at the time that this figure would be substantially increased. The amended guarantee for the number of seats that would be available for the telecast was increased to 500,000.

In arriving at the final agreement, arrangements were worked out whereby Robinson's guarantee was upped to $255,000 by TNT and Basilio's guarantee jumped to $110,000.

In a move aimed at settling the controversy over closed-circuit TV rights, TNT also agreed to license TelePrompter Corp. to book such theatres as they might be able to in four cities: Amarillo, Texas; Orlando, Fla.; Medford, Ore.; and Duluth, Minn. In all other cities TNT carried the fight exclusively.

SPOTLIGHT ON KING

Hats off to Radio Station KING, Seattle, Wash., for winning the Battle of the Ban, elsewhere described as a world heavyweight championship match between Floyd Patterson and Pete Rademacher.

Having heard about the ban, warnings and eventual harangue that followed the broadcast of the fight over KING that reached as far as Georgia, we decided to tune in Jack Link, program manager of Radio KING, to supply any missing links in the story.

"All we wanted to do," said the highly pleased Link, "was to report the outcome of the fight the moment it happened . . . to beat the news services, if we could, and have our own sports man give a post-analysis of the bout. We were blocked at every turn by the promoter . . . no phone in the stadium . . . no news wagon allowed parked outside the gate. This aroused our competitive spirit, and so Sportscaster Bill O'Mara and myself began checking out the other possibilities of reporting the outcome of the championship tussle. Helicopters, wireless microphones, shortwave receivers, and housetop coverage were looked into. The last minute answer was a homeowner's permission to put a telephone on top of a private garage overlooking Sicks' Stadium. This was to be our perch with binoculars and telephone to report the decision.

"Here is where the plot thickens. Rumor had it that the promoter was going to try blocking hillside spectators' view, as well as any news media that might try to cover the bout from a high vantage point. It was thought he might possibly attempt stringing canvas atop the baseball outfield fence, but this idea evidently turned out too costly. Instead, a huge searchlight was placed

next to the stadium and played directly on the hillside throughout the fight . . . its blinding beam aimed where Bill O'Mara was entrenched with telephone, field glasses and ladder.

"While the garage-top coverage was being arranged, several distant radio stations called to see if we could phone them any details of the fight. Rademacher's home training ground, Columbus, Georgia had been blocked from being able to broadcast direct reports, as had the rest of the medium. WDAK wanted a report in Columbus, KENO in Las Vegas desired a flash on the outcome, and our sister station, KGW in Portland, Oregon asked for a call. As a result, we tape-recorded O'Mara's phone report from atop the garage. The moment Rademacher was counted out, we went on the air "live" to give the result . . . set up a "conference call" among the stations and fed them the report and play-back of the action of the rounds. To the KING audience, the play-back was just a bonus for being tuned, as we did not advertise the fact that we were going to have anything on the air about the fight other than the results.

"One station here in Seattle did a 6-second delayed broadcast of the fight; another did a round-by-round re-creation from off the wire service reports. Radio KING fulfilled it's "first with the news" report . . . but not without spots before its eyes. O'Mara's closing thought was 'If the fight had gone two more rounds, I'd never have made it with that searchlight.'"

Other Portland area stations carrying the fight resumes were KGON and KPOJ. In addition to the tape going to Columbus, Georgia, the account of the fight was called to Minneapolis, Baltimore, Stockton, Calif., and Spokane.

Irwin Adams, general manager of station KGON, said he had a full scale re-creation, just as the station handles major league baseball games. "We attempted to give the illusion of listening from the scene of the fight," he said. Sid Roach, chief engineer of KGON, imitated referee Tommy Loughran giving the preflight instructions to the two participants. Ray Brooks did the actual blow-by-blow description. The crowd noise was dubbed in. Adams said, "our effort was entirely independent of any others."

Outraged promoter Jack Hurley blamed "radio pirates" for the failure of the attendance to reach the expected 25,000 figure. The fight drew 16,961 fans.

We doubt very much whether the ingenuity of Radio KING had anything to do with the disappointing attendance and have only praise for their having to put the spotlight on themselves in more ways than one.

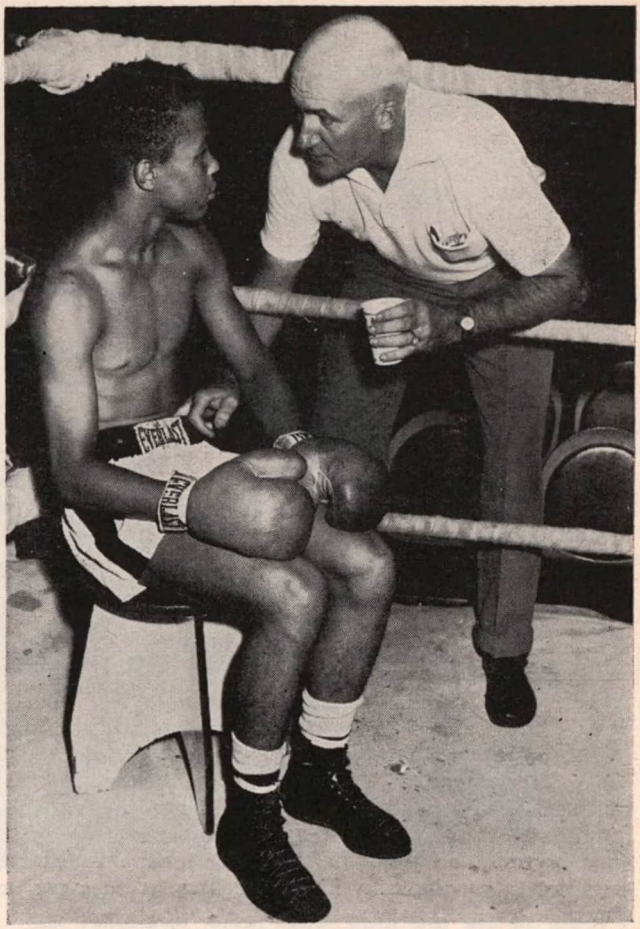
Tomorrow's Champions

Tomorrow's Champions, the weekly half-hour WAVE-TV boxing program sponsored by the Louisville Division of Recreation, observed its third anniversary on July 2. During that period some 1,200 amateur fighters have appeared on the show, telecast at 6 P. M. on Saturdays.

The wide and strong appeal of amateur boxing in Kentucky and Southern Indiana is borne out in the March Nielsen ratings for the program. They show that Tomorrow's Champions has a rating of 29.3, ten points higher than its network competitor, and reaches 222,250 viewers for each telecast, and 428,000 different viewers over a period of one month.

Kingpin of the City-sponsored boxing program is Joe Martin, matchmaker for the program, who screens some 500 boxers each week at Louisville's Columbia Gym. Martin, who boxed for eight years in Arizona amateur circles, is in his sixteenth year in Louisville amateur boxing. A police officer on the Louisville force, he feels that the City program is a definite curb on juvenile delinquency.

"These kids," says Martin, "want and need individual attention, and boxing gives them more of this than any other activity can. In addition it takes them off the streets during the evenings, and conditions them physically."



Matchmaker Joe Martin gives Kentucky State novice lightweight champion John Hampton of Louisville a word of advice in a Tomorrow's Champions bout on WAVE-TV (Louisville). 1,200 amateur fighters have appeared on the show in the three years it has been telecast.

Martin has for many years been the Louisville correspondent for *The Ring Magazine*.

One of the nation's largest amateur boxing programs, and one of only a handful telecast regularly, Tomorrow's Champions is open to boxers of 8 to 28 years, in all divisions. These include the "High Chair" division (under 60 pounds), the "Peanut" division (60 to 100 pounds), plus the regular divisions from flyweight up to heavyweight, with novice sections up to 16 years, and open divisions for 16 years and over.

The "High Chairs" and "Peanuts" fight three one-minute rounds, all others three two-minute rounds, with the better fighters occasionally being billed for five two-minute rounds.

Most of the fighters are from the Louisville area, but frequently out-of-town guests are invited to box on Tomorrow's Champions. These have come from such cities as Evansville, Nashville, Indianapolis, Cincinnati, Columbus, Ind., Atlanta and Fort Knox.

Tomorrow's Champions is sanctioned by the AAU and its fighters do well in the National AAU and Golden Gloves competitions. Annual Louisville eliminations prune down 200 fighters to city champions for eight divisions. One welterweight, 19-year-old Willie Moran, this year advanced to the finals of both the National AAU and Golden Gloves championships. Moran, who plans on making professional fighting his career, has a record of 45 knockouts and 11 decisions, with only five losses.

The Tomorrow's Champions program invites visiting celebrities, such as former world light heavyweight champion Maxie Rosenbloom, to be guest referees. And it is produced

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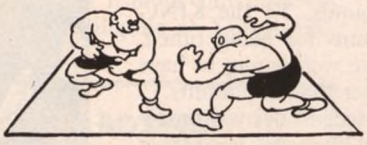
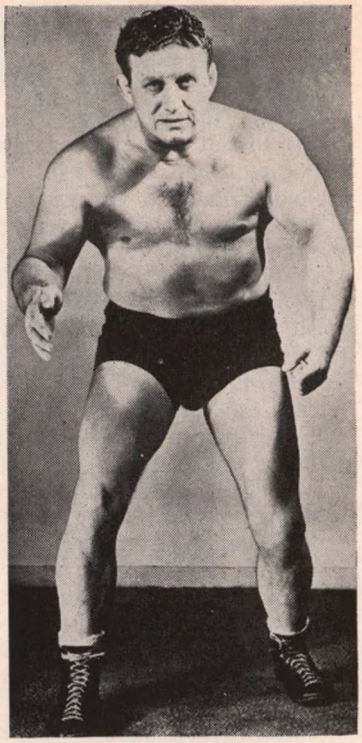
THE MAT WORLD

By NAT LOUBET





Pat Fraley the clever and rugged "Irish Powerhouse" from Boston is now living at Burbank, California. Fraley has been establishing himself with an impressive mat record under the Al Dermer banner in central Cal.

ON AND AROUND THE MAT

While boxing bouts throughout the country continue to cater to small attendances, wrestling is drawing gatherings reminiscent of the days when packed arenas for pugilism were the rule rather than the exception. For example, this year Madison Square Garden opened its doors to New York's wrestling group for a few shows as a test to see whether the experiment would be worth continuing on a larger scale. Well, the wrestling group handed Ned Irish and the Garden executives a convincer by filling the huge arena every time a mat promotion was staged.

The Fall wrestling season got under way with a bang on September 16 in the House that Tex Built. If the gathering of 19,165 fans who paid a gross of $62,043.31 to watch Antonio Rocca of Buenos Aires, 226, and Eduardo Carpentier, 222, of Paris wrestle to a "curfew" draw in the Eighth Avenue Arena is a criterion, the mat sport is bound to do a tremendous business in New York if the promoters can secure sufficient dates for this winter and spring.

Not only was the Garden full but at match time standee seats had been sold and hundreds were being turned away. It looks like wrestling is a permanent fixture in New York's Madison Square Garden.

In the semi-final, Miguel Perez, 218, threw Larry Hamilton, 233. Ricki Starr, 201, won on a disqualification after 5:15 from Karl von Hess, 202.

Ann Regan, a well proportioned brunette with a beautiful face, is making Los Angeles proud of the girl that is representing them among the women wrestlers.

Dick Affils, 250, pinned Larry Moquin, 228, in 9:47, and Eduardo Castillo, 240, downed Eric von Hess, 226, in 5:10. Skull Murphy, 230, threw Les Longevin, 230, and Danny McShain, 224, drew with Ray Urbano, 215.

Roy Shires, 228, and Jerry Graham, 249, drew with Don and Mark Lewin in an Australian tag team match. Each team scored a fall.

After a long and proud reign, Enrique Torres, the classy Mexican idol from Sonora, Mexico, dropped his coveted Pacific Coast heavyweight singles championship to big Mike Sharpe of Canada in a heated contest held in late July in Chico, California. Torres had been suffering with a back injury for some time, and was under treatment while wrestling. Al Dermer, DAV Wrestling Club promoter in Fresno, Calif., stated to reporter Ed Briggs of RING that Torres has retired to his Southern California home where he is under treatment. It is hoped that he will be back in action within a month.

A riot of unprecedented proportions occurred late this month in the studio of television station CKGN TV, North Bay. The riot followed the Main Event in the station's weekly LIVE STUDIO WRESTLING Program. Gigantic German wrestler HANS HERMANN, 6'5"—300 pounder defeated his opponent in decisive fashion before a capacity studio audience and some 208,000 television home viewers. The Prussian then stomped out of the studio and the ringsiders gave vent with their anger by entering the ring and mixing it with referee Joe Dempsey. A full scale riot followed with spectators, police, wrestlers and TV personnel involved. Some twenty people were injured, some seriously and the referee suffered a broken hand. Chief of Police for the region, Walter Hodgins led Provincial Police in an attempt to maintain law and order. CKGN'S ringside commentator Barry Lloyd Penhale remained at ringside throughout the entire riot and kept up a running commentary of the entire proceedings. Hans Hermann who is still credited with Canada's worst Arena riots, now has caused the first TV STUDIO WRESTLING RIOT.

FLASH! Miss Geraldine Baillargeon—Canadian Women's Weight Lifting Champion astounded CKGN TV viewers with her great feats of strength recently when she appeared on the popular Live Studio Wrestling Program. Miss Geraldine is an attractive member of the family generally referred to as the world's strongest family. Her six brothers are famous strongmen and wrestlers. Her five sisters are equally as famous for their strength.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Billy Wolfe on Aug. 2 1957 a 4 pound 14 oz. baby girl. Named Mickie Mae Wolfe. The mother is Betsy Ross, famed girl grappler, who herself is a little doll. Congratulations, Mr. and Mrs. Wolfe and daughter Mickie Mae.

New York isn't the only locality where wrestling is outdrawing boxing these days. A release from Sacramento, California by the State Athletic Commission states that 773,286 paid to see the grapplers as against 459,558 to see boxing. However boxing did make more money due to the higher price of tickets. Boxing gate receipts totaled $1,056,805 as compared to $874,553 for wrestling.

Lou Thesz who lost his title to Edouard Carpentier of France and then regained same by a disqualification in August went on to successfully defend his title at Houston, Texas, against El Medico. Medico lost his chance on the third and deciding fall on a disqualification. The champ won the first fall at 19:01 with a body scissors and El Medico evened the score by kayoing Thesz with a series of "brain busters." El Medico was well on his way toward victory when he decided to attack Thesz with a vicious flury of elbow smashes to the champ's skull for which he was disqualified.

We were sorry to receive word from Savannah, Georgia that the nephew of George Zaharias had passed away as the

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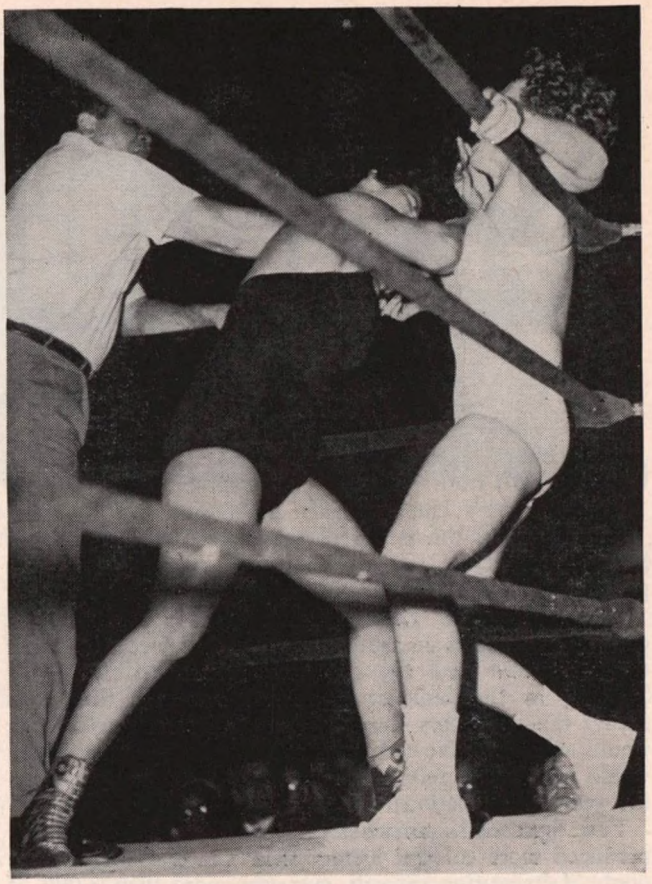
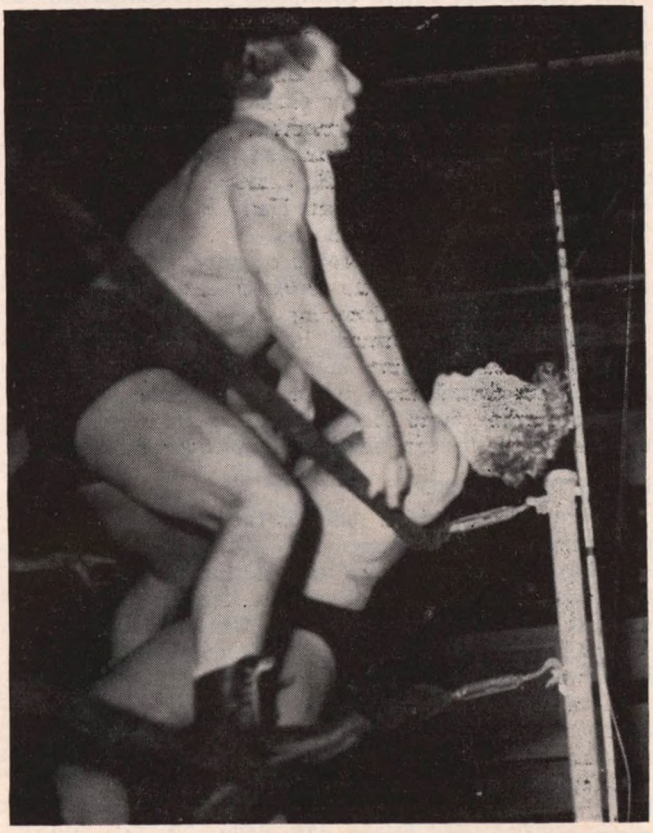


China Mira with a forearm smash to the body of June Byers in their Indianapolis Armory match which was won by Miss Byers.



Lou Plummer "riding the bronc" as he straddles Red Lyons on the ropes. Lyons came back with a series of dropkicks and body smashes to win the match.

Seen and Heard in new york:

By JERSEY JONES

ONE by one, historic landmarks are vanishing all too rapidly from the boxing scene these days.

Now it's Laurel Garden in Newark.

Plans call for the razing of the rickety old building in Springfield Avenue and converting the land into either a parking lot or the site of a modern super-market.

As a fight center, Laurel Garden virtually passed out of circulation three years ago. It was another victim of these changing times and the devastating march of television. So long as the building remained, however, there was always the hope that maybe, sometime, somehow, boxing would return to Newark, and Laurel Garden once again would occupy the prominent spot it had known for thirty-five years in the national fistic scene.

Few fight clubs anywhere in the United States have produced more colorful history than Laurel Garden. We doubt if its seating capacity ever was more than 3,000, if that much, yet in its heyday, during the '20s and '30s, it was one of the liveliest sluggeries along the Atlantic seaboard. No topliner of those decades seemed to consider his career complete without at least one appearance there. Past, current and future champions were conspicuous in the steady parade of leading ringmen moving in and out of Laurel Garden.

The building, known in its early years as Kurtz's Coliseum, and a popular spot for picnics, outings, dances and wedding receptions, was introduced to boxing in 1918 when the Hurley law legalized the glove-tossing industry in New Jersey. As we recall, Charley Weinert, popular local heavyweight, teamed with Harry Blaufuss, a Newark businessman, as the first promoters.

In the ensuing years, a dozen or more promoters came and went at Laurel Garden until the late '30s when the Babe Culnan-Willie Gilzenberg combination moved in. The Babe and the "Admiral" held forth there until 1954 when the steady decline in local talent and dwindling gate receipts forced them reluctantly to cease operations. The only fights staged these last three years were a couple of inexpensive "benefit" shows for local organizations.

FIGHTS TO REMEMBER

How vividly we recall some of the notable battles uncovered in that Newark arena!

It was there that a young Irishman, fighting for the first time away from his native Elizabeth, began his spectacular drive to ring immortality. In his Newark debut, Micky Walker outslugged Benny Cohen of Orange in an exciting brawl well spiced with knockdowns.

It was in Laurel Garden that former world lightweight champion Freddie Welsh began a comeback campaign by stopping Willie Green.

Unknown beyond the borders of his native Argentina, a big, crude, lumbering giant made his first appearance in this country and became an overnight sensation by demolishing tough Sailor Maxted in the Newark ring. It was Luis Angel Firpo.

One of the cleverest heavyweight exhibitions we've ever seen was produced by Charley Weinert and Billy Miske in Laurel Garden.

In his third bout in the United States, Max Schmeling flattened Pietro Corri in the Newark ring.

After seeing him stopped there by Abe Simon, who could have envisioned Jersey Joe Walcott as a future world heavyweight champion?

Mike Gibbons, Benny Valger, Georgie Ward, Phil Krug, Harry Greb, Billy Petrolle, Sailor Friedman, Jack Zivic, Jimmy Goodrich, Joe and Vince Dundee, Maxie Rosenbloom, Jim Braddock, Melio Bettina, Tony Canzoneri, Ruby Goldstein, Tony Galento, Gus Lesnevich, Freddie (Red) Cochran, Tippy Larkin, Al (Bummy) Davis, Charley Fusari, Billy Graham, Sandy Saddler and Wallace (Bud) Smith were only some of the many other illustrious ringmen to strut their stuff in the busy Newark sluggery.

Indeed, quite a bit of colorful ring history was written in Laurel Garden. The ramshackle old building may vanish but to veterans in this trade it will leave behind much to remember.

ABE ATTELL SOUNDS OFF

"There's one way to handle headaches like Ray Robinson," says Abe Attell, one-time world featherweight champion, now a sprightly 74 years young. "Make them do what we had to do in the old days—post substantial forfeits for appearance when the contracts are signed.

"Promoters nowadays don't have any protection against undependable, arrogant characters like Robinson. The promoters take the big gamble, go to tremendous expense getting a show under way, and then have to worry right up to ringtime whether the fighters will appear.

"There's always the chance, of course, of a fighter injuring himself in training. And promoting outdoors is a tough gamble with the weather. But that's part of the business, an 'occupational hazard.' Robinson, however, has made a career of messing up promoters with postponements and holdups for more money. He must stay awake nights trying to figure ways to make trouble. It would be interesting to know just how many times he has called off fights and how much grief and money he has cost promoters.

"Robinson couldn't have got away with his tactics if he had to do business with old-timers like Tom McCarey and Jim Coffroth in California. They didn't take nonsense from anybody, champion or not. Any time they booked an important match, the fighters had to post forfeit money in advance; and usually pretty stiff forfeits, too. If either fighter called off the fight or requested a postponement, the promoter and the opponent had the right to claim the forfeit to cover their expenses.

"McCarey and Coffroth wouldn't have tolerated a Ray Robinson, champion or not. In fact, Ray never would have been given the chance to become champion. One unpleasant experience with him, and the promoters would have wiped his name off their lists. There were too

many good fighters available in those days for a promoter to put up with the high-handed tactics of one bad actor. Robinson would have come down to earth in a hurry and realize that he needed promoters more than they needed him.

"Promoters today have only themselves to blame for the trouble they run into. They pet and pamper the fighters too much, and let them do the dictating. What this business needs now is another McCarey or Coffroth."

A FAMILY AFFAIR

The passing of Leach Cross, whose story by Johnny Salak appears elsewhere in these pages, recalls one of the most celebrated Family Affairs in ring annals.

There were four fighting Cross brothers—Leach, Dave, Phil and Marty—and a fifth brother, Sam Wallach, the oldest, managed them through most of their careers. (Wallach was the tribal name, but Leach, because of parental objections to boxing, adopted "Cross" as his *nom de ring*, and the younger brothers did likewise when they followed him into the trade. Sam, however, remained a Wallach. Even before Leach began fighting, Sam had established something of a reputation as a budding young lawyer, and as Sam Wallach he continued to ply the legal profession while managing his brothers.)

None of the other Crosses ever attained the prominence of Leach, but they were all good fighters and we often thought Marty, the youngest, could have been the best of the lot if he'd taken the business as seriously as he should have. We handled Marty during the last few years of his career. A rugged sort, he was a clever boxer and a dangerous puncher, but he didn't have Leach's zest for fighting and liked the gay lights of Broadway too much. Training was a monotonous bore to Marty, and he seldom was in peak condition for a fight. Yet there were some notable performances in his record. One of his best was a 15-round draw with the brilliant Jock Malone in Dayton.

Marty didn't miss many of the top welterweights of his era, and he often went out of his class to take on ranking middleweights. He began fighting in 1915 and finished ten years later. In that decade he must have packed in 150 battles. Among the many good 'uns he met were Jack Britton, Lou Bogash, Jack Dillon, Bryan Downey, Soldier Bartfield, Italian Joe Gans, Steve Latzo, Paul Doyle, Augie Ratner, Dave Rosenberg, Tommy Robson, Nate Siegel, Panama Joe Gans and Jimmy Jones, a formidable crowd, indeed.

The two oldest brothers, Sam and Leach, have gone. Dave and Phil are successful business men, Phil in Miami and Dave in New York. Marty, now 63, is doing well as a salesman for a silk company in New York. Happily married, with two children and two grandchildren, Marty has a permanent home in Kew Gardens, out on Long Island, and a country house in Spring Valley, in up-state Rockland County.

Held to a draw in first bout, a lighter and trimmer Lulu Perez (right) trounced Bobby Bell in impressive fashion in their return match three weeks later at St. Nicholas Arena.

THE month's results:

Outweighed seven pounds (a large item for little fellows), and behind in points at the end of the seventh, Bobby Bell, 128½, Youngstown, uncovered a strong rally in the closing sessions to earn a draw with Lulu Perez, 135½, Brooklyn, in a lively ten at St. Nicholas Arena. It was Bell's second start under the management of George Gainford, and the shifty little Ohioan displayed one significant improvement. Until "The Emperor" took hold of him, Bell's main weakness seemed to be a lack of durability. Eight rounds was usually his limit. Beyond that, he'd fade. Against Perez, however, Bobby had ample reserve for the final drive, and it was the heavier Brooklynite who wearied from the fast pace. It also could have been that Perez, several pounds over his best fighting weight, was handicapped rather than helped by the surplus avoirdupois. Keenly fought all the way, it was an entertaining bout between two shifty, fast-punching boxers, and Matchmaker Teddy Brenner lost no time in signing the pair for a return match three weeks later. In the semi-final six, Len Kanthal, 203½, Washington, D. C., who claimed a decision in the amateurs over Peter Rademacher, posted his seventh straight triumph as a pro by beating John Henry, 187½, Harlem. Mickey Spataro, 136, Brooklyn, copped the verdict from Chico Velez, 134½, East Side, in another six. In a pair of fours, Tommy Reed, 137½, Philadelphia, won from Benny Artist, 135½, Brooklyn, and Lou Caravella, 127, Brooklyn, drew with George Quinones, 126½, Bronx.

▶ In a battle of unbeaten youngsters, promoted to main-event status and joint TV debuts, Genorace (Gene) Armstrong, 151, Linden, N. J., proved stronger and more versatile than Rudy Sawyer, 148, Long Island City, and was a convincing winner in a spirited ten at St. Nicholas Arena. Sawyer was the harder hitter of the pair but lacked Armstrong's speed and better all-around equipment. The bout was fairly even for six rounds but Sawyer couldn't maintain the pace and Armstrong came on in the closing sessions to wrap up the decision in decisive fashion. It was the New Jerseyan's tenth straight win as a professional and the first defeat for Sawyer in as many starts. In the semi-final eight, Joe Lissy, 151¼, Yorkville, turned in an upset decision over Al Milone, 154½, Coney Island. In another eight, Wally Livingston, 124, Trenton, N. J., was credited with a knockout over Iggy Maldonado, 128, Bronx, when the latter was unable to come out for the seventh. In fours, Sid Lugo, 136, Brooklyn, grabbed the decision from Ernest Krenzek, 136, recent arrival from Germany, and Ernesto Maldonado, 126½, Puerto Rico, polished off Ruben Retamar, 124¾, Brooklyn, at 0:47 of the third.

▶ Another youngster, promoted to his first main event and TV debut at St. Nicholas Arena, ended up with a technical kayo against him, but made an exciting fight as far as he went. It was Freddie Mack, 170, a native of Bennettsville, S. C., now operating out of Brooklyn. Going beyond six rounds for the first time in 14 starts, Mack found his opponent, Jerry Luedee, 168½, New Haven, a bit too rugged and experienced, and the bout was halted at the end of the eighth when Freddie, badly battered and his right eye completely closed, was near collapse in his corner. It was a gruelling, free-swinging brawl while it lasted, with Mack making things decidedly uncomfortable for Luedee during the early rounds. The transplanted South Carolinian swarmed all over Jerry at the start, and in the second round a lusty right to the chin dumped the Nutmeg Stater on his panties. Luedee bounced up immediately but had to take the mandatory eight-count. For four rounds it was anybody's fight but Mack, unable to maintain the pace, began to fade in the fifth. From then on he absorbed heavy punishment. By the end of the eighth he was near exhaustion, and after a consultation between Dr. Sam Swetnick and Referee Teddy Martin, it was decided to call a halt. In the semi-final, also over the ten-round route, Otis Woodard, 159½, Harlem, punched too hard and often for Jay Anderson, 157½, Paterson. In fours, Joe Donato, 143½, Brooklyn, decisioned Joe Kelly, 146½, West Side; Tommy Kelly, 124½, West Side, beat Primo Arellano, 127, Brooklyn, and Tito Cebollero, 150½, Puerto Rico, stopped Anthony Patie, 151, Long Beach, at 1:43 of the third.

▶ Nearly four pounds lighter and much trimmer than he had been for the previous bout, Lulu Perez, 131¼, Brooklyn, turned in an impressive exhibition of nimble footwork, shifty boxing and snappy counter-punching in whipping Bobby Bell, 128½, Youngstown, in their return ten at St. Nicholas Arena. It was a fast, entertaining fight. Bell was his usual aggressive self, and forced the action all the way, but found Perez a much tougher problem than he had been in their first meeting. The Brooklynite scored repeatedly with left hooks and two-handed combinations, and several times had Bell in trouble. The eighth round was particularly rough for Bobby. He absorbed so many punches around the head that Dr. Sam Swetnick climbed into the ring at the end of the round to check the Ohioan. Despite his impressive win, Perez didn't emerge unscathed. An old cut over his left eye was reopened in the fourth. His handlers did a good patching-up job, however, and it wasn't until the tenth and final session that the cut opened again, too late to affect the result. The decision in Perez's favor was unanimous with the three officials. Jimmy Moulton, 150½, West Side, trounced Joe Fusco, 148½, Waterbury, Conn., in the semi-final six. In another six, Stan Michaux, 156, Rahway, N. J., decisioned Eddie Wright, 158, Philadelphia. In fours, Flanders Braxton, 167½, West Side, won from George Corbitt, 171, Brooklyn, and Joey Archer, 153, Bronx, stopped Danny Jones, 153, Brooklyn, at 0:46 of the final frame.

▶ Back in action at his "lucky" club, the St. Nicholas Arena, where he had previously posted six straight victories, five by knockouts, Garnett (Sugar) Hart, 146¼, Philadelphia, needed a last-round rally to earn a draw with veteran Charley Cotton, 151½, Toledo, in a fast-moving ten. The flashy Hart piled up an apparently comfortable lead during the first half of the fight, and scored the only knockdown of the bout when

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IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA

By BILL MILLER

IT was almost two years ago that popular Buddy Evatt announced his retirement—but he didn't say "positively".

Sure enough, there he was at Hollywood Legion Stadium, weight 135, against Julian Velasquez, 134½, and after suffering gashes over both eyes in the first three rounds—his old trouble—Buddy decided that enough was enough, and as our British cousins say, he "retired". Round 3.

This time, says Buddy, it's for good. The gate was announced as $3,400.

In the semi, slated for six, Bobby Sand, 164, scored a 2-round TKO over Willie Gilbert, 159. Gilbert was down twice. The fours: Al Lopez, 139, drew with Willis Johnston, 137; Andy Solis, 139 TKO (1) over Red Emery, 138½; and Roxelle Mosley, 148, dec. Richie McLane, 147.

▶The Mexican Boxing Commission wrote "Finis" to the career of Art Aragon, banning him from boxing in Mexico. This followed Aragon's 10-round unanimous decision over Alfredo Cota in Tijuana, Labor Day, in which Art scored five knockdowns and the lightly held Cota one.

The crowd was estimated—optimistically—as 2,500, a bitter disappointment to the wild-eyed boosters who had been predicting a record. Only the week before, Billy Peacock and "Toluco" Lopez drew 11,000 in the same ring. Aragon reportedly received a guarantee of $1,000.

Even if the verdict is reversed in a new trial, it is doubtful if the Golden Boy will ever be his old self again. He has been under a fierce mental strain, and his work against Cota showed it.

It was my job to publicize at least 35 of his fights, which drew a gross of well over a million dollars. The guy was easy to write about—good copy. He provided excitement, thrills, surprises. Au revoir, Arturo.

▶Over in Honolulu, Ramon Fuentes, L. A., 152, defeated Stan Harrington, 151, in a not-too-thrilling encounter. Ringwise Ramon stayed in close, tied up Harrington, and was in trouble only in one round.

▶Billy Peacock, 120, dropped a close decision to Jose "Toluco" Lopez, La Laguna, Mexico, 121, in the Tijuana (Mexico) Bullring before a record crowd of more than 11,000 fans. Lopez got off fast, and Peacock suffered injuries to his right eye in the fourth.

Peacock took the third and sixth, then came with a mighty rush in the 9th and 10th, but Lopez' early edge enabled him to catch the eye of the officials—all from Mexico.

Boots Monroe, 121, scored a 3rd round TKO over Juaquin Zeloz, 123, Ensenada, Mexico, in the semi-final, scheduled for ten.

▶Nicholas J. Lapara, who represents Ward Ten Parish, New Orleans, in the Louisiana House of Representatives, is the manager of 6th ranking Charley Joseph, here in Los Angeles for his battle with Tombstone Smith. More of that fight anon.

But Lapara has gone on record as condemning the law which forbids physical contact between Negro and white athletes.

"This silly law really hurts sports in New Orleans", said Lapara, in an interview with George T. Davis, sports ed. of the L. A. Herald-Express. "Particularly boxing, but it also hurts mid-winter sports, including the Sugar Bowl game." Lapara recently introduced a law in the legislature, legalizing mixed bouts—and other sports also.

More power to him.

▶Charley Joseph, New Orleans middleweight, won the unanimous verdict over Tombstone Smith, local welter, at the Olympic Auditorium. Surprisingly, Tombstone, the welter, weighed 158½ to 158 for Smith, the middleweight. Referee Frankie Van voted 97-93; Judges Jack McDonald and Tommy Hart, 96-95 and 96-93 respectively. It was not televised. Rory Calhoun, in the audience with Manager Frank Bachman, was offered a fight with the winner. Could be!

In the TV ten, George Berry, 135, won a split decision over Tomaso Castillo, 135, an interesting tiff. DeWitt Lewis, 150, dec. Kid Tayo, 148, in the six-round semi. The fours: Ray Walk, 139½, TKO (3) over Tommy Raven, 140; and Joe Nugget, 129, dec. Joe Hernandez, 129.

▶Thanks to a divided jury, Neal Rivers, 160, is still the middleweight champion of California, even though quite a few of the cash customers at the Olympic Auditorium thought Tiger Al Williams, 158, was entitled to the verdict. Officially, it was a draw.

Referee Tommy Hart voted for Williams, 117-113; Judge Charley Randolph voted for Rivers, 117-112, and Judge Reg Gillmore saw it even-Stephen, 116-116.

John (Hollywood) Hall of the Mirror-News, estimated the crowd at 1,900; Don Snyder, pinch-hitting for Cal Whorton of the TIMES, said there were 2,500 on hand. Take your pick. Looks like a rematch.

In the six-round semi, Bobby Robledo, 129, punched out a thrilling decision over Dick Robinson, 126. Bobby came like a whirlwind in the last two heats. The fours: Tom Johnson, 175, dec. Hurricane Simms, 168; Joe Gans, 126, TKO (2) over Al Rocha, 125½.

▶"Fight judging hit a new low for the year at Hollywood Legion Stadium" wrote Cal Whorton, of the L. A. TIMES, in criticism of the unanimous verdict awarded Ramon Tiscareno, 144½, over Willie Morton, San Jose, 143. Referee Jimmy Wilson scored it 96-95; Judges Frankie Van and Charley Randolph tabbed it 96-94 and 97-94, respectively.

"On my card, Morton was the winner, 96-92", says Cal. There were many who agreed with him. Five of the six ringside press cards had Morton on top at the finish.

In the six-round semi, Jimmy Jackson, 137, survived a 2nd round knockdown to gain a draw with Little Firpo, 137½. The fours: Dick Page, 125½, dec. Basilio Yniguez, 124; Pico Campo, 119, dec. Joey Fontana, 121½, and Nat Simon, 139, dec. Cecil Moore, 140.

▶The death of Chalky Wright, born Alberto Martin in Durango, Mexico, stunned me, as it did thousands of other friends in these parts. Chalky drowned in a bath-tub. There were hints of mystery.

▶That precious bauble known as the world's lightweight crown is getting more and more elusive for Johnny Gonsalvez, Oakland ring stylist. Dropped from the first ten rankings after losing three in a row, he had a chance to get back in the select circle when he encountered contender Kenny Lane in Johnny's own "backyard," the Oakland Civic Auditorium. But Lane outspeeded Johnny to take the decision in ten.

Weights, Lane, 138; Gonsalvez, 139. More than 5000 fans watched the bouts arranged by Matchmaker Don Chargin. Gross gate was $11761.

All scores favored Lane—Referee Vern Bybee, 97-96; Judge Jack Downey, 98-92; Eddie James, 99-94. Press consensus: 99-93.

In winning the second round Gonsalvez suffered an eye cut which bled freely through the rest of the encounter.

Lane's busy glove throwing piled up a good point total, which Gonsalvez was unable to erase with an explosive rally which gave him the tenth.

Jack Parelli, 136, dec. Chico Arroyo, 140, in 6; Leo Merino, 190, outpointed James Fischer, 180, in 4; Vic Cardot, 144, dec. Ray Thomas, 139, in 4.

▶Irish Tommy Bain, 128½, scored the only knockdown in his blistering battle with Alfredo Escobar, 129½, at Hollywood Legion Stadium, but it was Escobar whose hand was raised after 2:03 of the 8th round, in token of victory.

Gross take for the TV show was $4,759.

Both boys had souvenirs when they left the ring. Escobar's right eye was sealed almost tight; Bain's left optic oozed gore.

It was Escobar's 14th fight. Outside of his draw with Paul Lassiter, he had a clean slate. Bain, though not going good in recent fights, boxed a draw with Jose Luis Cotero, lost a split decision to Ike Chestnut, and has always given the customers a great show.

Bain took the fight on comparatively short notice; originally, Escobar was booked to battle Paul Lassiter, who had held him to a draw in a tempestuous 10-rounder at the Olympic. When Lassiter suffered a cut optic in training, Bain was pressed into service.

In the semi-final, slated for six, Dwight Hawkins, 120½, racked up a 2-round TKO over Willie Lucero, 126. Lucero suffered a deep gash over his right eye.

The fours: Questa Walker, 136, dec. Art Lopez, 140; Hurricane Simms, 169, TKO (1) over Sammy Seals, 166; Ward Yee, 119½, dec. Cesar Sanchez, 116½.

▶There are folks hereabouts who insist that Ernesto Parra, 128, Mexico City, was entitled to no worse than a draw in his fight with Ike Chestnut, 129½, at the Olympic Auditorium, L. A. The decision, a split, went to Chestnut. The applause went to Parra.

A crowd of 5,058 paid a gross of $12,030 to see the scrap. Referee Charley Randolph scored it 98-92 for Chestnut; Judge Tommy Hart scored it 96-93, for Ike. Judge Tommy Herman voted 96-96, a draw, and as said in the opening sentence, there were many who agreed with him.

There were no knockdowns, and not once did Referee Randolph have to step in and separate the boys, though he warned Chestnut on three occasions to keep his blows above the Mason-Dixon line.

It was Chestnut's fourth straight win here. Previously he had triumphed over Irish Tommy Bain, Lauro Salas and Kid Anahuac.

Best fight of the night, and perhaps the best fight of the year, was the exciting TV 10-rounder between youthful Enrique Aceves, 128, and Herman Duncan, 127. This was Aceves' tenth pro fight, his first main event. He had the crowd standing on its feet the last two rounds.

Aceves is the spittin' image of Enrique Bolanos in style, appearance, and stance. He is managed by Bob Fuentes, brother of old-time heavyweight Tony Fuentes. I predict this kid will be the biggest thing in these parts if he maintains the pace he has set thus far. Color? He oozes it.

Referee Mushy Callahan voted for Aceves, 96-91; Judge Tommy Herman scored it 96-93, and Judge Tommy Hart, 94-89, all for Aceves. The ring was flooded with coins and bills, and I know of no higher method of approval.

In the six-round semi, Eddie Cato, 223, drew with Johnny Mayes, 195, another thriller.

▶A promising heavyweight always rates close attention by regional boxing fans, and those in the San Francisco bay area are busy discussing the prospects for Bob Butcher. Blond Bob, 197, going the eight-round distance for the first time, stood up under some heavy punching to take the decision from Art Wright, 183, from San Jose. They headlined Promoter Jimmy Cosenza's show at the Auditorium in Richmond.

Gross receipts were $2,156.

Butcher waited and countered in the first five sessions, and the point total for them was almost even. But Butcher took the offensive in the sixth, won the seventh handily, and came on to sew up the verdict with a rousing finish. Referee Jack Silver scored it 77-74. It was Butcher's 17th straight victory.

Herman Marquez, 119, Stockton, stopped his fellow-townsman, Tony Ganados, 120, in the sixth round of a scheduled eight.

George Sullivan, 142, outpointed James Medlock, 141, in six. The fours: Dave Nolan, 160, drew with Harvis Williams, 165; John Lauther, 158, dec. Mel Francis, 150.

▶They tossed a "fight film" party for good old Bob Perry at the Trouper's Hall, Hollywood, and a turnaway house was on hand to witness the showing of some rare old films. Included were several rounds of the Bob Fitzsimmons-Jim Corbett title fight at Carson City, Nevada, on March 17, 1897.

Bob Perry saw that fight, in company with the great Kid McCoy, who was a bosom friend. Incidentally, this was the first heavyweight championship to be filmed.

When I say "they tossed a party", I should say Tommy Farmer, who steered Manuel Ortiz in the world bantam championship, did most of the work—if not all of it.

Farmer, now retired, is always first man on hand when some old fighter is in financial straits, or in trouble of any kind. And he never seeks publicity for it, unlike some guys I know.

▶David L. Luce, first "chief enforcement officer" of the "new" California Athletic Commission, has resigned his $15,000 per annum job, and will resume private law

practice. Luce complained that he wasn't given enough staff and funds to do even a "minimum job", to quote his words.

Luce was hired after last year's sensational boxing investigation, on which something over $100,000 of the state's moolah was spent. And after all the hullaballoo, only one man was singled out and barred: Babe McCoy, Olympic matchmaker.

▶ Speaking of McCoy, he has filed suit in Superior Court, seeking a court order which would compel the Athletic Commission to restore his license as matchmaker. His attorney is Jules Covey, former Chairman of the State Athletic Commission, and a man who is held in very high esteem by this community.

▶ Roger Rischer, of Oakland one of the Far West's better heavyweights who got back on the winning trail after a series of sharp setbacks, attained one of his long-time objectives when he defeated Ruben Vargas, San Francisco, in a 12 rounder at Richmond. This prize was the heavyweight championship of California. The battle, promoted by Jimmy Cosenza, took place at the Auditorium in the Oil City.

It was a near-capacity crowd which paid $4,792 gross.

Rischer took an early lead and seemed to throw just enough punches to maintain this advantage.

Sixto Rodriguez, 169, outpunched Joe Louis III, 171, to take a six round decision.

Results of fours: Johnny Guerrera, 137, dec. Vic Cardo, 136; J. C. Huggins, 188, outpointed Leon Hatcher, 194; Freddie Roberts, 135, drew with Ray Thomas, 138.

▶ George Berry, 135½, shocked the chalk players at the Olympic Auditorium, L. A., for they had installed Kid Centella, of Managua, Nicaragua, 137½, a 12-5 choice. Berry "slood in" (as Dizzy Dean would say) by unanimous decision.

Referee George Latka tabbed it 97-95; Judge Lee Grossman, 97-96 and Judge Dick Young 97-94. It was Berry's second fight of 1957; he had whipped Steve Toney, of the Philippines, some weeks earlier. That one was also something of an upset. Looks like Berry thrives on inactivity.

In the six-round semi, Pete Gonzalez, 158½, decisioned Orlando DiPietro, 164½. The fours: Ward Yee, 121½, dec. Nick Sanders, 119½; Richard McLane, 148, dec. Larry Mercer, 147; and Ray Walk, 140, TKO (1) over Billy Kelly, 140.

Outpunched and outboxed, but certainly not outgamed was popular Jimmy Palazzola, Anaheim Italian, 161½, by Franz Szuzina, 163, of Bremen, Germany, before a $4,500. house at Hollywood Legion Stadium. Not a bad turnout for a TV fight. It was a TKO, in 2:24 of the 10th round.

Prior to this one, Palazzola had won 24 in a row, though his ring progress had been interrupted by a two-year hitch in the service (1953-1954). The stock German had too much experience, too many guns for Jimmy.

Dean Crisp, 153½, won the split decision over Walter Tyler, 155, in the six-round semi. The fours: Steve Limon, 132½, dec. Willis Johnson, 134; Jeff Jones, 157, TKO (2) over Jose Pompey, 155; and Tommy Johnson, 172½, dec. Willie Patterson, 171.

▶ From my old friend, Eddie Tait, comes a clipping from the Manila DAILY BULLETIN, date-lined Tokyo, and giving the champions of the six divisions between flyweight and middleweight, as recognized by the Oriental Boxing Federation.

The Oriental champs, of July 1st:
Flyweight: Pone Kingpetch, Thailand
Bantamweight: Leo Espinosa, Philippines
Featherweight: Shigeji Kaneko, Japan
Lightweight: Omsap Laemfapha, Thailand
Welterweight Somdez Yontrakit, Thailand
Middleweight: Dowthog Singhaphalop, Thailand

Thus, Thailand (formerly Siam) boasts four; Japan one, and the Philippines one.

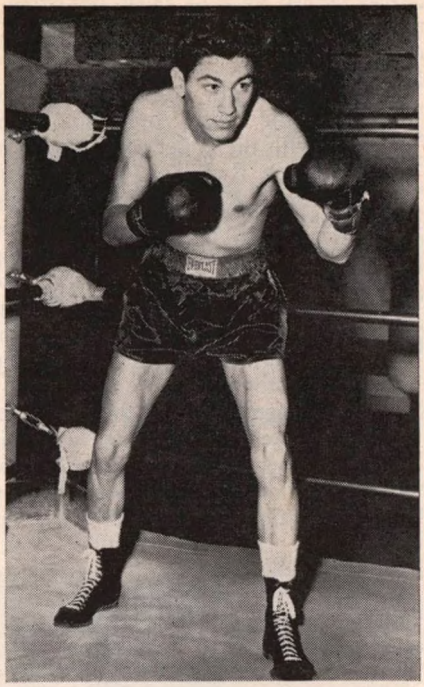
▶ Los Angeles guy phoned a local paper to ask about the record of Tommy Herman, boxing official licensed by the State Athletic Commission of California. He was referred to me, since I managed Herman for a few fights in the very early Thirties.

This guy said he had never heard of Herman, as a fighter.

"Did you ever hear of Ceferino Garcia and Billy Petrolle?" I asked him. Sure he did; who didn't? Well, I informed him that Herman held a 10th round TKO over Garcia, and a 7th round TKO over Petrolle. Also a 10-round decision over Young Corbett III, former welter champ. And a win over Freddy Steele, former world middleweight champ.

"Had enough?" I asked him. He had. He hung up on me.

▶ Friends of Johnny Adams, popular scrapper of the mid-Twenties, tossed a benefit show for him in San Bernardino, hospitalized with a back ailment and in financial straits. Results: excellent. Cash contributions, offer of a job as soon as he gets well, and medical assistance.



Enrique Aceves, California featherweight who looks and fights like Enrique Bolanos, in his tenth pro bout and his first main event scored a ten rounds decision over Herman Duncan at the Olympic Auditorium, Los Angeles.

▶ In his last two local fights, Pete Kawula entered the ring as underdog against Lauro Salas, for world champ, and Ernesto Figueroa of Mexico. He won both.

Then came the rematch with Figueroa at the Olympic Auditorium, and this time Kawula was favored by the gamboleers, though the margin was only 10-8, as against the 4-1 in favor of Figueroa first time they squared off.

It was Figueroa's hand which went up this time, after ten furious rounds, with the edge in doubt until the final round. The Mexican boy made it a unanimous verdict by dropping Kawula twice in the 10th, both for short counts. Kawula, 129; Figueroa, 127½.

The TV fight was a 12-rounder between Charley (Somber) Sawyer, 146, and Mel Ferguson, 147, billed as an elimination for the state welterweight title. It was Sawyer's first appearance since his sharp upset win over Virgil Akins almost a year ago.

Evidently the lay-off did him no harm, for he won by TKO in the 8th round, thereby breaking Ferguson's nine-straight winning streak.

In the semi-final, scheduled for six, Willie Barnes, 155, stopped Joe Garza, 156, in Round 3. The fours: Joe White, 145, KO (2) over Tommy Scott, 145½; and Larry Wright, 132, decisioned Steve Limon, 131½.

▶ Fresno fans were cheering for Rudy Jordan, but few would hazard a guess on the verdict when Jordan completed ten sizzling rounds with Tommy Romulo at the Fresno Memorial Auditorium. Referee Frank Manfredo scored it 98 to 96 for Jordan. Next day the Romulo adherents found something to argue about in the newspaper consensus, which was 97 to 94 for Romulo.

Romulo, of the Philippines, weighed 136. Jordan, from Los Angeles, scaled 139.

Romulo forced the fighting and landed the more forceful wallops. Meanwhile Jordan, using runaway tactics, halted often enough to do much effective counterpunching.

The encounter was fast, rough and furious from the outset, and kept 1,500 fans constantly applauding.

Gross gate for the Fresno Athletic Club and Matchmaker Al Dermer was $3,200.

Joe Brewer, 159, Fresno, decisioned Red Lite, 155, S. F., in six; Vince Davi, 147, Fresno, outpointed Julian Valdez, 143, Vallejo, in six. Ray Thomas, 136, knocked out Andy Carmona, 135, in 1; Louie Andrade, 162, dec. Harvis Williams, 164.

▶ Reports from Jerry Mullany:

Jimmy Cosenza, promoter at Richmond, Calif., is credited with spending most of his time developing main eventers on which other promoters capitalize on later. This could be the case with lightweight Luke Easter, who has done most of his performing at the Auditorium in Richmond. Luke erased one the only "minus" mark on his record when he took the ten round decision over experienced Kid Castro in a return match.

Easter, of San Francisco, weighed 136; Castro, Stockton, 141.

Referee Frankie Carter, sole judge, scored it 99-90 for Easter.

Six weeks before Castro had spoiled Easter's undefeated record in a close decision. In the second match, Easter made use of his boxing skill to take the first six rounds. In the second and sixth Castro was given a heavy battering, only his experience keeping him erect.

The gross receipts total was $3,026.

Henry Berrera, 132, TKO'd Willie Woods, 133, in four; Bobby Gray, 128, halted Billy Thomas, 130, in 1; Chico Arroyo, 145, dec. Ken Gordon, 140, in 4; Guadalajara Kid, 135, stopped Al Garibay, 134, in 2.

▶ Television, which has put hundreds of local boxing clubs out of business, occasionally works to the advantage of an area promoter. This was the case when Rory Calhoun and Joey Giambra met in a return match at San Francisco's Cow Palace. The customer interest resulting from their first encounter (televised nationally) attracted 8,796 fans, who paid $41,762 gross. Calhoun took the decision in ten rounds. Weights: Calhoun, 158½; Giambra, 160.

There was no television or radio in the rematch fight, promoted by Bennie Ford.

Giambra, a San Francisco resident out of Buffalo, set a fast pace in the first three rounds, raking Calhoun's features with fast combinations. But Calhoun was landing steadily to the body, and this seemed to slow Giambra enough to make him a victim of a concentrated offensive by Rory in the fourth.

A near payoff right caught Giambra in the jaw. This seemed to have a delayed action, because Joey later took a jolting visit to the canvas without being hit. On arising, he took another hard cuffing from Rory. Giambra's followers said it was the worst one round pasting he ever received.

In their first fight at Syracuse, N. Y. Giambra drew with the contender from White Plains as the result of a fast finish. In the San Francisco bout it was Calhoun who kept up the blistering action in the middle rounds, and was coming stronger at the end. Consensus of judges' and newspaper scoring was 97-94 for Calhoun.

Rocky Fumerelle, 156, TKO'd Harvis Williams, 164, in the final round of a scheduled six. In another six, Leon Hatcher, 196, outpointed Leo Merino, 190.

Sixto Rodrigues, 168, pounded out a decision over Joe Neal, 162, in six. Julian Valdes, 148, cut the eye of Doug Garrett, 149, giving Valdez a TKO in 2.

▶ Harry Morrison, credited with being the father of the bill which restored full scale boxing to California in 1925, died in Millbrae at the age of 77. Millbrae is just south of San Francisco, where Morrison was a prominent political figure and ring promoter for many years.

Previous to 1925, only four round bouts were allowed in California. Morrison led the fight in the state legislature for the bill allowing 10, 12 and 15 round bouts.

In the 20's Morrison, Donn Shields, Tom McGrath and George Higgins formed the Mission Athletic Club, which staged a number of major bouts in San Francisco's Recreation baseball park.

▶ The San Francisco Police Department said goodbye to a good officer, and middle-aged boxing fans reminisced about what an outstanding lightweight Eddie Mahoney was in the early 1920s. Mahoney died of a heart attack.

Mahoney's specialty was feinting, either with left hand, head or body. One of his outstanding victories in a packed auditorium was over Joe Benjamin, then a top lightweight contender.

▶ It was speedy-fisted Joey Giambra's first appearance in festive Reno, and the "Biggest Little City" gave the high ranking middleweight top audience rating when 4,000 fans jammed Moana Ball Park. Joey had a busy time for five rounds with opponent Jimmy Welch, but Giambra's withering rain of combination punches put the Ohio veteran down and out in the sixth. They had been scheduled for ten. Weights: Giambra, 159¾; Welch, 160.

Welch, a rangy campaigner with more than 100 pro fights, was getting in his best licks in the fifth when the tide turned.

Tyla Pryne, 5 feet three inches, 130 pounds of muscle and loveliness, has become known as the "Sweater Girl of Wrestling." A newcomer from Idaho she is quickly gaining popularity.

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result of a heart attack. Babe Zaharias, as he was known in wrestling circles was only 42 at the time of his demise.

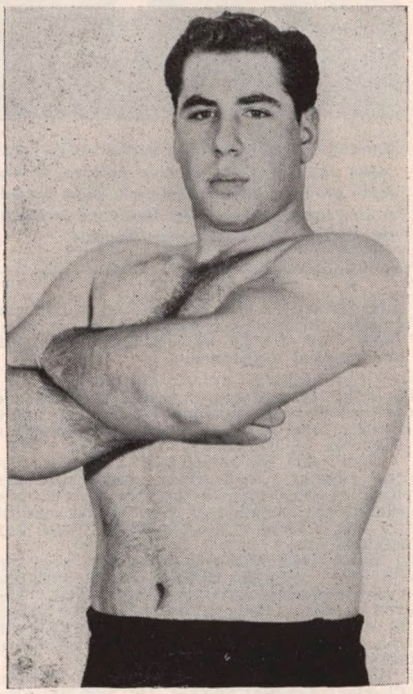
In Japan the U. S. amateur wrestling team won its fifth good-will match over the All-Japan team. The American team has so far won three encounters and lost two.

Among the girls in wrestling Rita Cortez substituted for Helen Hild at the Tacoma Armory and defeated the glamorous Judy Grable. Rita scored at 12:55 to win the first fall with a body slam. Matters were evened by Miss Grable with a flying leg scissors and reverse press at 17:30. The third frame went to the Mexican fireball when she tossed Gable out of the ring and "Beauty Inc" was unable to return to the fray before a count of twenty was recorded.

At Minneapolis, Leo Nomellini, former U of Minnesota football star, took the measure of Karl Steiff of Brocton, Mass., in 9:29 after a series of shoulder blocks, a headlock and body press.

New Haven saw Argentina's gift to the wrestling ring, Antonino Rocca team up with the Ballet contribution to the mat game, Ricki Starr to defeat the combination of Karl and Eric Von Hess. . . . After a treat of Starr's ballet routine that saw Karl Von Hess leave the ring with a gash on his cranium and bare footed Rocca complete a two straight fall victory when he used his well-known "Back breaker" on Karl to close out the evening's festivities.

Verne Gagne has been busy . . . recently defeated Joe Pazandak with his famous "Sleeper" hold at 25 minutes. . . . The Kalmikoffs, Kinji Shibuya, Roy McClarity, Carl Engstrom are busy out Minneapolis way. Pepper Gomes, Red Bastien, Bull Curry, Rito Romero and Don Evans successfully grappling in Texas. . . . Bill Darnell, Stu Gibson, Buddy Rogers, Mike McCall and Bill McDonald making a go of things around Cincinnati.



Rocky Brown, a Canadian by way of Montreal, has been in the mat game in the vicinity of two years. He is nineteen years of age and packs 242 pounds on to a 6 feet 1 inch frame.

POPULARITY POLL

Men

1: Antonino Rocca
2: Ricki Starr
3: Pat O'Connor
4: Ronnie Etchison
5: Buddy Rosen
6: Ed Carpentier
7: Wilbur Snyder
8: Buddy "Nature Boy" Rogers
9: Verne Gagne
10: Lou Thesz

Women

1: June Byers (Champ)
2: Vicki Lynn
3: Judy Grable
4: Rita Cortez
5: Kathleen Wimbley
6: Penny Banner
7: Louise Greene
8: Princess Moolah (Champ)
9: Judy Glover
10: Babs Wingo

Fan Clubs . . . . let's hear from you so that we can keep our readers posted on the doings of your honorary and your club.

THE WRESTLING WORLD
By ED BRIGGS

Hottest box office attraction currently showing in the San Francisco bay area is 24 year old Hugh "Tex" McKenzie, a 289 pound Texas mat ace from Dallas. Young McKenzie's use of the full nelson has spelled many victories for the

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In Texas they have a reputation for doing things in a big way and when Texas heavyweight wrestling champion 305 pound Don Leo Jonathan entered the ring to defend his title recently he had a Texas size gift for a favorite fan.

Jonathan entered the ring with a cape made of 50,000 U. S. Green Stamps and presented them to teen-ager Sally Moore who is attempting to save enough green stamps to get a new convertible and become the national trading stamp champion.

Miss Moore needs nearly two million to accomplish her goal, and has nearly 300,000 stamps.

The presentation was seen over television channel 13 and covered most of East Texas.

Jonathan, however, was not so lucky as he lost his Texas title to Ivan The Terrible when he suffered two broken ribs.

THE MAT WORLD

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fast stepping 6 feet, 9 inch favorite and is rapidly skyrocketing "Tex" to international fame and fortune. Blessed with a fine personality, McKenzie's attitude toward his fans and members of the press can't help but give him a big boost in many ways. He bears watching.

Seymour Koenig, sleek midwest mat favorite has made his west coast wrestling debut in Los Angeles and is fast becoming a favorite of the bobby-sox brigade . . . Leo Garibaldi, the youngest of the internationally famous Garibaldi clan is very popular in Oregon, Washington, and British Columbia. Leo recently returned to the pro mat after a four year stint in the US Air Force.

The Great Scott is back in the ring again after a layoff and is thrilling his many, many fans with his colorful maneuvers in the Eastern U. S.

California mat fans hope that Scotty will head west soon. He's been absent much too long . . . Pat Fraley, a 255 pounder from Montana who now resides in suburban Burbank, in Los Angeles County, Calif., is back on the comeback trail. A vastly underrated performer, Pat is one of the games' best and can mix it with the best toughie or grapple scientific.

. . . West coast promoters aren't a bit happy with Nature Boy Buddy Rogers. Seems that Los Angeles area matchmakers-promoters were billing the classy Rogers for a series of west coast bouts and were disappointed when Rogers didn't arrive . . . Congrats to Rogers' fan club prexie, Jim Cameron, for being elected president of the fast growing Wrestling Fan Clubs United–World Wide . . . Lou Thesz traveled to a draw with Pat O'Connor at St. Louis, Mo. Many consider Pat as the top challenger for the NWA Heavy title now held by Thesz. We agree, with Ronnie Etchison, Enrique Torres, Whipper Watson, Ed Carpentier, Rito Romero, Verne Gagne, Wilbur Snyder, Buddy Rogers and Sonny Myers close behind . . . At this writing, Ski Hi Lee, Ricky Waldo and Dick Raines are showing in Australia . . . Wilson Kohlbrecher of Krefeld, Germany has made his American debut and is a real favorite in Los Angeles area rings. Wilson has been mixing it with the best in Europe and comes highly touted to our shores. Others showing in Germany are Fritz Muller, Dr. Primo Vitos, Jean Morandi, Geoff Portz, Rudy Schumacher and Hans Richard-Behrens . . .

. . . Ramon Torres and brother Al are back in action with brother Enrique who recently returned to California. Enrique was out of action for a short time with a back injury and recuperated in his Los Angeles home. He then took a series or "warm up" bouts in New Mexico under the Mike London banner before returning to the west coast. The Torres Brothers Fan Club headed by Hilda and Bob Martin wishes to state that their club for the three brothers is gaining members every day. Also, some fans are confusing other wrestlers with the name Torres as being members of the Sonora, Mexico wrestling family. The only Torres boys honored by the club are Enrique, Ramon and Al. Interested parties are requested to contact the club at 6949 N. Glenn, Fresno 4, California.

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ROCKY BROWN
By VIOLA G. MAY

With two years of professional wrestling under his belt, Rocky Brown has gone from preliminary to main events.

His first mat experience began during his early high school years in Montreal, Canada. Before turning to wrestling he worked as a service station attendant and later drove huge trailer trucks.

Rocky likes to give credit to George Tragos who, for many years, was the world's wrestling amateur champion. He was responsible for the basic knowledge of the sport shown by Rocky in the ring. Other wrestlers who assisted and guided his training were Yvon Robert and Don Leo Jonathan.

Born in Montreal, Canada, 19 years ago, this up-and-coming talented young man weighs 242 pounds and stands 6 ft. 1 in. He is good looking, has a marvelous physique and is single at the present time. He was stationed at Camp Val Costier in the Canadian Army for a period of one and a half years.

He is a showman with a bewildering and cagey style but is definitely not an exhibitionist. His performance keeps fans on edge and wherever he appears he wins fans.

His first professional match was in St. Nicholas Arena, New York City, with veteran performer Lee Henning. Experts labeled him as one of the greatest prospects to cross the Canadian border. He prefers solo matches but has teamed with his brother on occasions. Every wrestler has specialized holds and Rocky is no exception. He uses the stomp puller, monkey flip, drop toe hold and sunset flip. By combining them with the basic holds, he has managed very well.

Known as "The Rock" by many wrestlers because of his skill and strength, most of his matches are won with submission holds.

Rocky is of Jewish extraction, speaks a bit of French but prefers English. He makes his home in Montreal with his parents and sister. Some of his roughest matches were with Hans Hermann, Buddy Rogers and Gene Kiniski.

As an amateur he won the Y.M.H.A. championship and a trophy as defense man with the Outremont all start Hockey Team.

He has experienced the rough and tumble nature of wrestling with a broken nose, two teeth knocked out, two broken fingers, cuts and a leg dislocation. In spite of all, he is not a villain but always portrays the role of hero.

All wrestlers consider food an important item. He loves his mother's roast chicken and large salads. He loves life and his hobbies are plentiful. He enjoys building model planes, dotes on boats and cars and attends auto races and shows. He derives great pleasure from swimming, watching TV, movies (preferably drive-ins), motor boating, water skiing, night clubs and amusement parks. He finds it gratifying to meet people and make lasting friends. He is a gifted conversationalist. Being a valuable asset is his capability of discussing many subjects.

Always modest and polite, he'll go out of his way to greet a fan since he believes that a thousand friends are too few and one enemy is one too many. To date he has not been honored with any fan clubs, but it's a sure guess it won't be for too long.

SHORT STORY ON TYLA PRYNE
By BOB UTTER

The motion picture world has nothing on wrestling since Billy Wolfe introduced Tyla Pryne to the profession of groaning. In less than three months time Tyla has become known as the *"Sweater Girl of Wrestling."*

Hailing from Idaho, Tyla stands 5-feet 3-inches in her sheer nylons and weighs 130 pounds. In other words she has more curves than a national highway. Her measurements read . . . Bust . . . 36 . . . Waist . . . 23 . . . Hips . . . 35. See what I mean?

Tyla while in high school was an all-around athlete. She starred in softball, basketball and track. Her idol in the cauliflower industry is Lou Thesz among the male stars and Junie Byers among the female headliners.

Possessing golden blonde hair and green eyes combined with plenty of mat knowledge, Miss Pryne is in constant demand by leading wrestling promoters throughout the country.

She is quick thinking, fast on her feet, and for a newcomer to the game, can wrestle. Her hobbies are bowling, dancing and swimming. Choice foods selected by Tyla include shrimp and salads.

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SEEN AND HEARD

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he dumped Cotton with a right to the chin in the fifth. After that, however, the Philadelphian seemed to tire and Cotton came on to carry the next four rounds, jolting Hart repeatedly with rights to the head. Cotton was slightly in front going into the tenth, but Hart staged a strong finish to even the score on the cards of Referee Arthur Mercante and Judge Frank Fullam. The other judge, Nick Gamboli, gave Cotton a 5-4-1 edge. In the semi-final eight, Len Kanthal, 197¾, Washington, D. C., ran off his ninth straight win as a professional by beating Fernando Fala, 204¾, Philadelphia. In the preliminaries, Eddie Bramlett, 172¼, Harlem, outpointed Harry Ball, 174¼, Yorkville, in six; Melvin McFarland, 139½, Philadelphia, beat Leroy Tucker, 139, West Side, and Guy Fatta, 129, Brooklyn, stopped a borough rival, Jackie Kelly, 124½, at 1:59 of the second.

"TAPS" FOR A SOLDIER. . . . He never came close to being a champion, but Soldier Kearns, who died recently in Long Island City at the age of 69, contributed his share to the excitement of the dizzy "White Hope Era" of the early 1910s.

A rugged sort, standing six feet and scaling a solid 220 pounds, Alfred Kearns, a native of Brooklyn, was in the U. S. Army stationed at Fort Slocum, when he began fighting. As we recall, Charley Doesserick managed him. The Soldier did most of his battling in and around New York, with occasional appearances in Philadelphia, Rochester and Buffalo.

Kearns' outstanding performance was a knockout of Jim Coffey in one of the Roscommon Giant's early appearances in New York. In a return match, however, Coffey evened the score by flattening the Soldier.

Kearns twice demolished the highly-touted Buffalo entry, George (One-Round) Davis, first in New York, then in Davis' home bailiwick.

The Soldier was tough enough to step the scheduled routes with most of the prominent "White Hopes", among them Dan Daly, Tom (Bearcat) McMahon, Battling Levinsky, Dan (Porky) Flynn, Arthur Pelkey and George (Boer) Rodel, but he suffered a broken jaw when Jess Willard stopped him in eight rounds.

After retiring from the ring, Kearns joined the Long Island City Fire Department and was cited a couple of times for heroism.

In a bout that pitted two of the top ten welter contenders, Vince Martinez of Paterson, N. J. stopped Larry Baker of Mt. Vernon, N. Y., when the referee would not allow Larry to answer the bell for the ninth round due to a badly cut right eye. After seven slow rounds both Baker and Martinez were staggered in the eighth with Vince rubber-legged at the bell. Martinez as usual showed plenty of class but little fighting spirit except for a brief flurry in the eighth round.

THOSE RIOTOUS NIGHTS

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surge came from one side. Probably a hundred of them ascended the apron on that side. The ring builder hadn't calculated on such a concentration of weight and, as they fought their way through the ropes, there was an unmistakable sag of the platform. It's a lucky thing that there were no more bouts. They would have had to have been fought on a sloping ring.

European fight followers have been even more riotous than our own. There was the celebrated bantam title bout between Panama Al Brown and Kid Francis in Marseilles, France. Marseilles fandom included brass-knuckle wearers, cut-throats, pickpockets and just plain toughs. And they came to the arena determined that their man, Francis, would take the championship.

In an effort to guarantee a just decision, the International Boxing Union had provided for an American judge, a gentleman who was the Commander of the American Legion in France.

As the fight progressed—and it was largely in Brown's favor—spectators began edging their way to the ringside. Soon they encircled the American judge. Then they demanded that he show them his scorecard. He refused and one of the hoodlums snatched the card out of his hands, passing it on to another who, laughing, ripped it to shreds.

"*Go ahead,*" the resolute judge shouted back at them, "*I know how I'll vote, I'm carrying the score in my head.*"

Temporarily they subsided but, when the fight was over and the vote was announced, two for Brown (one by the American) to one for Francis, they yanked the judge out of his seat and proceeded to beat him. Only the immediate intervention of the gendarmes saved him from permanent injury.

Occasionally there are fans here who take a savage delight in taunting fighters in an arena even when they're not boxing.

Not too long ago Hurricane Jackson was a spectator in Madison Square Garden. As he watched the bouts, somebody in a back row began firing metal paper clips at Jackson's head and neck.

Hurricane was a model of patience while the fight was on. The minute it ended, he darted down the aisle. He got his hands on the person he was sure was guilty. He might have worked him over then and there. But Jackie Barrett, assistant matchmaker, arrived in time to stop Jackson. "*You've got the wrong man,*" he said, "*this is my brother, he wouldn't do that to you.*"

As recalled by Lew Burston, Pedro Montanez manager, the Puerto Rican's hot-headed worshippers rioted regularly at the old Star Casino in uptown Manhattan, in the heart of their teeming district.

In the phrase of the street, they took over. They unscrewed light bulbs and exploded them against the walls or on the heads of the working press. They brought vegetables and fruits and pelted the corner of a fighter opposed to their favorite. Bottles were another commonplace missile.

In earlier years, when neighborhood rivalries flamed frequently, audience participation could be counted on at almost any time.

One historic instance involved the peerless Benny Leonard. Among his better-known rivals was Frankie Conifrey. Conifrey's buddies obviously couldn't see Benny against their boy.

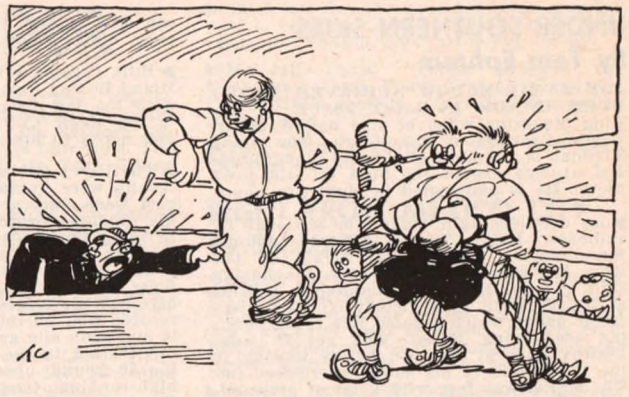
But this particular night Leonard was giving him a lacing. It hurt them to watch, yet Benny boxed so skillfully and cleanly that they couldn't remonstrate until . . . Frankie's sister, in the crowd, yelled, "*Look what he's doing to my brother, kill that so-and-so!*"

Then they went into action, belting anybody they suspected of being pro-Leonard. It was a wild melee while it lasted, which was until the police arrived in sufficient numbers.

In the meantime word had been flashed, through the police alarm system, to newspaper offices. The editors began wondering why they hadn't heard from their writers covering the fight. When the alleged fighting correspondents got their offices on the phone, they explained it simply enough, they had hidden under the ring until things quieted!

Such interludes had become comparatively rare in the last few years until the firecracker-pigeons-eggs party at St. Nick's. Frankly, it was a pleasant throwback. It was also evidence that boxing's virile appeal hadn't disappeared, it only had gone underground waiting the return of adequate incentive. Give the fans reason to become worked up—and you've got healthy boxing, right?

A-ROUND AND A-BOUT



By BOB ALLEN

PERHAPS the most historic develment in boxing in the years between the triumph of Jack Dempsey over Jess Willard in 1919 and the advent of television immediately after World War II was the acquisition of Madison Square Garden boxing privileges by the late Mike Jacobs. It occurred exactly twenty years ago.

Jacobs revolutionized the boxing industry. Under his regime boxing and boxers prospered as never before. True, no single Jacobs promotion ever quite equalled the Dempsey-Tunney return bout figure (the Long Count fight at Chicago) but, by and large, there was more boxing activity, bigger gates, bigger attendances than ever before. Of special significance was Jacobs' intelligent education of a nationwide boxing public through the medium of radio.

Twenty years ago! October, 1937. Joe Louis was heavyweight champion, John Henry Lewis was light-heavyweight king, three men—Marcel Thil, Freddie Steele, Fred Apostoli—claimed the middleweight title; Barney Ross was welterweight champ, Lou Ambers ruled the lightweights. In the featherweight division all was confusion. The 126-pound class was even more mixed up than the middleweights.

It was here that Nat Fleischer, editor and publisher of *Ring Magazine*, stepped into the picture with a suggestion that not only cleared the featherweight class confusion but launched Mike Jacobs and his mighty Twentieth Century Sporting Club into business at the Garden.

Fleischer persuaded Jacobs to bring Petey Sarron, then campaigning in South Africa, back to the States for a $15,000 guarantee to meet Henry Armstrong. Fleischer aided in the negotiations, the match was made by him and Sarron and Armstrong clashed at the Garden. Henry won—the first of his three titles. Jacobs and the Garden went on from there.

Fleischer didn't know what he started. But what he started—just twenty years ago—was good, it was the launching of an Empire.

In his recently published autobiography, *"Bernard Baruch: My Own Story,"* the eminent financier and statesman recalls the days when, as a youth, his quick temper involved him in many a fist-fight. He invariably lost the decision and so, to remedy this situation, he took boxing lessons. That helped. And *"Bunch,"* as he was called, went on from socks to stocks and did all right. He might have done well in the ring too except that he preferred to do his road work on a park bench. Baruch has retained a fan's enthusiasm to this day and is often in attendance at major boxing events.

Max and Buddy Baer have been signed by a Hollywood outfit to appear together in a comedy Western, *"Once Upon a Horse."* We can think of another occasion when the two Baer brothers appeared together—well, not exactly together but on the same show. This was in September of 1935 when Max was flattened in four rounds by a rising young lad named Joe Louis, and Brother Buddy, sporting a record of 23 kayoes in 25 fights, lost to Ford Smith in the semi-final.

Don't get the impression this was a bad night for the Baers. Max picked up a little bundle of cash amounting to well over $200,000 and Buddy (whose manager, Ancil Hoffman, had talked Mike Jacobs into giving him five per cent instead of the usual semi-finalist's guarantee) walked off with about $40,000 for six rounds.

Lord Altringham, the British peer who had his face slapped for criticising Queen Elizabeth, has declined an invitation to serve as a sparmate for Harry Cooper, British heavyweight. Presumably because he couldn't raise his dukes. **Another** *"might have become heavyweight boxing champion of the world"* is Capt. Slade Deville Cutter, newly-appointed director of athletics at the U.S. Naval Academy. No less an authority about such matters than Spike Webb, famed Navy boxing coach, once said Cutter was a better boxer than Gene Tunney, and Webb had Tunney as one of his charges when Gene was a Marine. During his years at Annapolis, Cutter had 22 fights, never lost a decision, was never stopped.

Cutter has retained a keen interest in boxing during the 20-odd years since his Annapolis days and served as official referee at the Olympic tryouts in 1952. Now he takes over as boss of sports at Navy and we bet that many a midshipman will *"hit the deck"* in boxing sessions at the Naval Academy.

A story we read the other day about Jack Hurley referred to his campaign with Harry Matthews a few years back and contained this sentence: *"The IBC kept Rocky Marciano under cover and unloaded him against Matthews."*

Memory is playing quaint tricks with the writer of that line. Marciano was kept under cover so securely prior to the Matthews match that he was allowed to box only the likes of Rex Layne, Lee Savold, Joe Louis. And as for the IBC *"unloading him against Matthews,"* who in boxing can forget Hurley's campaign to get Marciano into the ring with his *"tiger,"* a campaign that even enlisted the active aid of governors, congressmen, and senators, a campaign that swamped sports editors all over the country with challenges hurled by Hurley on behalf of *"The Athlete?"*

Unloaded Marciano, indeed!

Well, boxing has lost another great prospect to politics. This time it's William Proxmire, newly-elected Senator from Wisconsin who won a surprise victory in an election to determine a successor to the late Senator Joe McCarthy.

The New York Times had this to say about the new Senator: *"Young Proxmire was graduated from Yale in 1938. During his campus days he gave constant evidence of his refusal to be dismayed. Despite an unimpressive record in practice, he did win a 'Y' in football; he also won a letter for a much more distinguished performance in boxing. He was Yale College boxing champion in the 149-159 and 169-pound classes."*

This happened, as the story says, around 1938. Which means Proxmire was winning his various titles about the same time Henry Armstrong was doing the same thing among the pros. Now if Proxmire had managed to hold his titles simultaneously, as Armstrong did, perhaps he wouldn't have had to wait so long to win the support of Wisconsin voters.

UNDER SOUTHERN SKIES

By Tom Ephrem

JOE HYMIE BUDOW ACHIEVED A COVETED HONOR IN LAST ISSUE of The Ring Magazine when he was named Lightweight Prospect of The Month. The young Miamian is a product of the city playgrounds and attends one of the high schools down there. He is undefeated in eight pro bouts.

▶ An excellent fight before the national TV audience, Ralph Dupas defeated Johnny Busso, each a ranking lightweight by The Ring Magazine. Punching with his boxing skill, earned Dupas the unanimous decision at Miami Beach. The victory lay in Ralph's faster hands which enabled him to outpunch the ever-trying Busso, who got in some healthy licks of his own before bowing in the 10 rounder to his more experienced foe. The action was fast with a lot of give-and-take. Dupas, from New Orleans, weighed 140½, and Busso, of New York, 141¾.

The Dupas camp made a clean sweep when brother Tony (Dupas), 156, New Orleans, took the eight round semi-affair from Andy Mayfield, same weight, of Miami. Vince Bonomo, also New Orleans lad, 148 pounds, TKOed Ricco Saunders, 153, of Miami, in round three. Levi Pearson, 140, stopped Tooley Sawyer, 153, in the fourth of an all-Miami duel, and another of the same found Ray Sheppard, taking a four from James Thomas, each tipping 149.

New Orleans has lifted the ban on Dupas fighting white boys. By a 5 to 4 verdict, he can do so unless the pending court decision rules him a Negro.

▶ Billy Peeples, III, respected member of the Miami Boxing Commission, is now associated with the law firm of French and Skolnick in the Magic City. Billy is practicing law and here's to his success.

▶ The Larry Baker-Gasper Ortega fight card results were unintentionally omitted in the past issue since promoter Chris Dundee and his publicist brother Angelo failed to send in the report. They have failed us in the last six months and each time have kept Miami Beach cards from receiving due publicity in The Ring. Personally, it's okay here but our respect for the fighters and the records that go into The Ring Record Book is our main aim and should be their's also.

A feather in the cap of Larry Baker was his 10 round upset over Ring Magazine's high-ranking Gaspar Ortego in a Miami Beach ring. The young New Yorker kept up a consistent attack to take the play from the favorite whose loss can be attributed also to loss of several points from low punching. Baker weighed 145, and Ortego, from Tia Juana, Mexico, 147¾.

Gomeo Brennan, 149½, Bimini, took the six-semi from Willie (Kid) Johnson, 148½, Miami, while Jo Jo Jordan, 155½, Miami, took four from Ricco Saunders, 151, Miami; Skeets Starkey, 174¾, said to be from Jacksonville, kayoed Augie King, 178, Miami, in one; Al DuBois, 133½, Miami, whipped Boots Burkhalter, 136, Miami, in four, and James Thomas, 152, Miami, defeated Levi Pearson, 153, Miami, in four also.

▶ Lightweight Carl Chastein is hitting on all cylinders judging by the stories in newspapers wherever he fights. His latest victory was one in an eight rounder over Mickey Bishop, a bout replete with action.

BOXING NEWS FROM HAWAII

By Ted Yamachika

COMBINATION PUNCHER LEM MILLER OF NEW YORK scored his most important Honolulu triumph to date by stopping Leo Alonzo, ninth ranked lightweight, of the Philippines, at 1 min. 30 seconds of the sixth at the Civic Auditorium.

The end came unexpectedly when Miller, who was trailing, exploded a powerful left to Alonzo's face, following it up with a right to the same spot. Alonzo fell on his back, came to a sitting position at the count of seven, but though conscious was stunned and still unable to move when the count was ended.

Up to this point the fight was anything but interesting. Both fighters showed too much respect for each other during the first three rounds and very few punches were thrown. In the fourth they began mixing it up a little with Alonzo grabbing a slight lead with clever infighting. Alonzo had his biggest round in the fifth when he shook up Miller with a good left to the jaw. The two judges and referee had Alonzo leading by a comfortable margin at the end of this round. Miller weighed 139 to Alonzo's 138½.

The fight was promoted by Boxing Enterprises, Ltd., and drew the biggest crowd of the last two years with an attendance of 3,545 fans who paid a gross gate of $6,524.50.

Fesulai Peapealalo, 160, beat Anacleto Battad, 156½, in a crowd-pleasing 5 round semi-final. Phil Ortiz, 115½, decisioned Larry Marino, 117¾, 4 rds. William Avilla, 143½, won over Felix Aciro, 142, 4 rds. Pat Lee, 126, knocked out Harold Mara, 129½, in the third of four.

▶ Stan Harrington, 146, required only one round, and 2 minutes and 2 seconds of another to polish off Steve Tony, 145½, welterweight champion of the Philippines, at the Civic Auditorium. For Harrington this was his first fight in nearly a year and his first KO win since his loss to Joe Miceli last March and three subsequent lackluster showings he made in 1956. This victory could have regained for him some of his lost prestige.

Steve Tony's style was exactly made-to-order for Harrington. A real cutie without a punch, he kept a steady stream of left jabs in Harrington's face throughout the first round. But his punches lacked even the necessary snap to bother Harrington. He waded in, let go with two punches and that was the end. A right to the head and a follow-up left to the jaw did the trick.

Seems like boxing is at the crest of its popularity cycle in Honolulu again. A crowd of 3,963 fans paid a gross of $7,598.50 to witness the fight, which was promoted by Boxing Enterprises, Ltd.

Omar Darty, 160½, beat Fesulai Peapealalo, 167½, in the four round semi-final. Floyd Fatiuan, 120½ decisioned George Nakaoka, 121, 4 rds. Bobby Higa, 122, knocked out Pat Lee, 126½, in the first of four. Gil Martin, 131½, won over John Carvalho, 133¼, 4 rds.

▶ Considerably slower than when he showed here many years ago, Ramon Fuentes, 152¾, nevertheless pounded out a unanimous decision over Stan Harrington, 151, in a ten round bout at the Civic Auditorium. The fight was a bruising, fast paced battle, predominated by infighting.

The score sheet showed Referee Walter Cho and Judge Louis Freitas favoring Fuentes by identical 100-95 scores. Judge Bill Pacheco gave the Mexican toughie a still bigger margin, 100-91.

Fuentes compelled Harrington to fight his battle. Relying on his experience, he drew his opponent in close and scored most of his points in close-quarter exchanges. There were no knockdowns.

Promoted by Boxing Enterprises, Ltd., the fight drew 4,875 fans for a gross take of $11,384.50. Boxing appears definitely on the upswing in Honolulu.

Floyd Gatiuan, 120, decisioned Phil Ortiz, 117¼. 4 rds.

Anacleto Bataad, 155¼, beat Omar Darty, 155¾. 4 rds.

George Nakaoka, 125, won by TKO over Gilbert Martin, 129, in the 4th.

Yoichi Suzuki, 133½, knocked out Johnny Dala, 136½, in the first of four.

▶ Loe Alonzo, lightweight champion of the Orient and nationally ninth ranked boxer, belted out Honolulu's Dan Santiago in 1:48 of the third, held at the Civic Auditorium. The fight, promoted by Boxing Enterprises, Ltd., drew 1,359 fans and grossed $2,405.50. The local fighter fell on his back, tried desperately to get up but was unable to beat the count.

Santiago weighed 138¼ to Alonzo's 136.

Anacleto Battad, 153¾, decisioned Omar Darty, 158, in the five round semi-final.

Yoichi Suzuki, 133, knocked out Charles Ishimine, 134, in the fourth and final round. Bobby Higa, 120½, beat Walter Kinoshita, 120½, 4 rds. William Avilla, 141, decisioned Felix Aciro, 143, 4 rds.

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SOUTH OF THE BORDER

LA LAGUNA AND THE MEXICAN PROVINCE

By Miguel Ramirez Aznar

ARENA "OLIMPICA", GOMEZ PALACIO:—LUIS "TEJON" CONTRERAS, 131, WON nine of ten rounds from Felipe Sosa, 129, to score another victory over local fighters. Vicente Ramirez, 135, outpointed Al Olivera, 132, also in a tenner. Gregorio "Goyo" Flores, 115, one of our best prospects, iced Kid Gallo (Bernardo de la Cruz), 118, in three rounds. Ray Campos, 121, decisioned Javier Gonzalez, 121, in four and Daniel Nava, 117, in other 4-rounder, bested Odilon Ruiz, 116.

▶ PLAZA DE TOROS, Torreon:—Little Antonio "Tono" Ortiz, 121, Chihauhua, surprised by beating Fidel Lucero, 128, in 10 rounds. Baby Concer (Roberto Garcia), 144, also from Chihuahua, halted Manuel Munoz, 147, in eight. Federico "Chino" Gonzalez, 121, nailed veteran Lucio Polina Hidalgo, 118, in the third. Agapito Avila, 138, embalmed Babe Fernandez, 138, in the very first round. Carlos Castillo, 117, stopped Roberto Ramirez, 118, also in one round.

▶ ARENA "OLIMPICA", Gomez Palacio:—Here is that slippery Luis "Tejon" Contreras again! "Tejon" means "Badger" in English, you know. Now, his foe was Cesar "Chino" Saavedra, who is nicknamed here as "Conejo" which means "Rabbit". In the jungle life, badgers always eat rabbits. So, logically, Luis Contreras, 134, whipped Cesar Saavedra, 130, after ten fast rounds. Vicente Ramirez, 134, and Nacho Rosales, 134, drew in their 10-round semi. Kid Gallo (Bernardo de la Cruz) 117, outpointed Norberto Cruz, 118, in the other tenner. Facundo "Roy" Martinez, 121, defeated Rodolfo Lopez, 119, in four and Oscar Salazar, 110, did same thing with Odilon Ruiz, 115.

▶ PLAZA DE TOROS, Torreon:—Marcelo Vargas, 137, classy Durango Scorpion, cut Raul Anchondo's left cheek-bone and forced the referee to stop the fight in the fifth. Anchondo, 132, was behind on points when the fight was halted. Manuel "Pinky" Ruiz, 130, stopped Polo Medina, 127, in three rounds. Juanito Rivera, 118, outpointed Babe Salazar, 118, in six. Fernando Ortiz Villa, 120, kayoed young Jesus Vargas, 119, kid brother of Marcelo, in the third. Carlos Castillo, 115, decisioned Martin Varela, 113, in four.

▶ ARENA "OLIMPICA", Gomez Palacio:—Alfredo "Al" Nevarez, 134, the best lightweight of Mexico, stopped Antonio "Zorrito" Ramirez, 133, in eight rounds. Gregorio "Goyo" Flores, 112, had to work hard to get the 10-round duke over crouched Miguel Segundo, 115. Octavio Salas, 134, decisioned Manuel "Chamaco" Castro, 138, after eight fast rounds. Juan Garcia, 126, stopped Jesus Guerrero, 125, in six, Javier Gonzalez, 121, and Rodolfo Lopez, 122, drew in four.

▶ PLAZA DE TOROS, Torreon:—Ray Ruiz, 113, Mexico City, easily decisioned Jose "Generalito" Galvan, 118, in ten. This was the first main-event for Galvan. Juanito Mendoza, 113, iced Tony Contreras, 109, in eight rounds. Federico "Chino" Gonzalez, 121, defeated Ubaldo Lopez, 120, in six. Agapito Avila, 141, nailed Vicente Martinez, 139, in the first round. Carlos Lopez, 118, stopped Luis Dominguez, 121, in two rounds.

▶ TUXPAN:—Filiberto "Fili" Nava, 126, fighting out of his bantam class, stopped Baby Cid, 128, in four.

▶ GUADALAJARA:—Monito Hernandez, 121, screwed fragile Pedro "Patitas-Chuecas" Garcia, 119, in only five rounds.

▶ MATAMOROS: — David Rodriguez, 121, fouled twice Otilio "Zurdo" Galvan, 125, and the referee stopped the bout in the sixth, declared same a "No-decision" one.

▶ GUASAVE:—Joe Gonzalez, 119, defeated Avelino Felix, in ten rounds.

▶ MATAMOROS:—Luis Gutierrez, 123, and Kid Aztequita, 128, drew in ten rounds.

▶ MONTERREY:—Hector Garcia, 133, and David Camacho, 132 drew after ten hard rounds. Juanito Mendoza, 114, bolted Pulga Sanchez, 116, in the fourth.

▶ ACAPULCO:—Bernabe "Babe" Vazquez, 136, National Lightweight Champion, nailed Joe Smyers, 135, in seven. Kid Anahuac (Humberto Martinez), 126, beat Joe Nathan Shaw, 128, in ten rounds. Vicente Leonardo, 135, outpointed Salomon Coronel, 136, in eight. Vicente Salmeron, 117, beat Chiquilin Torres, 115, in six. Jose Luis Salazar, 120, decisioned Lupe Perez, 119, in four rolls. The promoter of the Big Show, Mr. Juan Bilbao died few hours before same.

▶ REYNOSA:—David Rodriguez, 119, scored a good triumph over Joe Medel, 116, in ten rolls. Chaparro DeLeon, 117, stopped Baby Flores, 118, in the seventh.

▶ MATAMOROS:—The Old Fox, Fidel Hernandez, 139, smashed Julio Escobedo, 131, in only two rounds.

▶ MONTERREY:—Jess Bogart (Jesus Rangel), 145, and Billy Greaves, 147, Barbados Islands, drew after ten hard rounds.

▶ ACAPULCO:—Ramon Gonzalez, 126, kayoed Tony Alamillo, 125, in the tenth round. Veteran Justo "Yuyin" Castrejon, 119, nailed Angel Jimenez, 121, in five rounds.

▶ GUADALAJARA:—Monito Hernandez, 119, halted Hector "Chango" Ceballos, 118, in four.

▶ MATAMOROS:—Lalo Duque, 135, sent favorite Tobe Penaloza, 139, to sleep in seven rounds. This Duque boy, a real newcomer, went to the canvas in the fifth.

▶ MATAMOROS:—Manuel Armenteros, 119, the Cuban Bom-Bom, beat highly ranked Jose "Toluco" Lopez, 119, National Bantamweight Champion. Armenteros surpassed his foe in ten fast rounds. Fili Nava, 127, had to work very hard to get the 10-round decision over young Hector Garcia, 130. Martin "Babe" Vazquez, 129, bested veteran Beto Couary, 126, in other tenner.

▶ MONTERREY:—Here you have another upset. Raul Leanos, 116, kid brother of Old Juan, held Joe Becerra, 117, highly ranked man in THE RING, to a 10-round draw. The fans booed the verdict because they hailed little Raul as the real winner.

▶ TUXPAN:—Ernesto Figueroa, 126, The Big Chief of Balmis, put the red light to veteran Roy Hernandez, 129, in the sixth round.

▶ GUADALAJARA:—Marcelo Gonzalez, 120, decisioned Dusty Brown, 118, in ten. Agustin "Chilango" Rosales, 150, nailed Babe Zamora, 148, in only two rounds.

▶ MATAMOROS:—Universitario Cantu, 133, "canvassed" Ubaldo "Chiquis" Ramirez, 136, in eight.

▶ MATAMOROS:—Kid Aztequita, 121, beat Chuy Guerrero, 115, in ten rounds. Apolinar Huerta, 135, stopped Cocaina Lopez, 136, in four.

▶ ACAPULCO:—Chiquis Rosales, 117, mastered Kildo Martinez, 117, in ten.

▶ MONTERREY:—Alejo Mejia, 119, dominated Manuel Rodriguez, 120, during ten rounds.

▶ REYNOSA:—Jesus "Chucho" Gonzalez, 117, upset Cheto Fernandez, 115, in ten.

▶ MONTERREY:—Roberto Garcia, 128, layed down Americo Rivera, 130, in the sixth.

BOXING NOTES FROM BAJA CALIFORNIA

By Francisco B. Escalante

MEXICALI.—EZEQUIEL "CHICLES" URIBE, 136, FROM MEXICO CITY, won a unanimous decision from Jimmy Feaster, 136, from Las Vegas. They went 10 rounds.

▶ Ensenada.—Saul Becerril, 110, Mexico City, won handily over Hector Agundez, Mexicali, 112, in ten rounds.

▶ Tijuana.—Don Jordan, 140, from Los Angeles, iced Arnoldo Gil, 140, Sonora, in 2:48 of the opening heat.

▶ Tijuana.—Joe Becerra, 118, Jalisco, TKO'd Kid Irapuato, 115, Tijuana, in the 7th.

▶ Tijuana.—Don Jordan, 140, Los Angeles, stopped Alfredo "Molote" Cota, 145, La Paz, B. C., in the initial episode.

▶ Mexicali.—Saul Becerril, 114, Mexico City, won a hard fought ten round decision over Cheto Fernandez, 115, from Mexico City, in a tenner.

▶ Tijuana.—Kid Irapuato, 115, Tijuana, won by a TKO over Bobby Singleton, 115, Los Angeles, in the 8th round.

▶ Tijuana.—Don Jordan, 140, Los Angeles, won a easy ten round decision over Juan "Bombin" Padilla, Mexican welter champ.

▶ Mexicali.—David "Pelon" Duran, 126, Guanajuato, and Felix "Pelon" Cervantes, 122, Mexicali, went to a furiously fought ten round draw.

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RIGHT FROM MEXICO CITY

By Selsso Tiborro

MEXICO CITY'S FANS HAD THE CHANCE TO SEE DURING AUGUST local talent competing with imported boxers such as Medina and Calatayud from Venezuela, Anslem from British Honduras, and Campos from the United States, with varying results.

▶ Roberto Garcia, 129, outpointed Guillermo "Chicharrita" Medina, 129, Venezuela, in an exciting ten-round star bout. Garcia's victory did not satisfy everybody but he deserved it. Valentin Rangel, 134, outpointed Chino Gomez, 134, in ten. Ray Ruiz, 117, and Marcel Montoya, 122, drew in eight. Papelero Rodriguez, 118, outpointed Oaxaca Kid, 118, in six. Jose Rodriguez, 116, outpointed Salvador Barcenas, 117, in four.

▶ Jose Paredes, 135, defeated Carlos Arregui, 136, by disqualification in the third event. Al Urbina, 135, stopped Luis Buendia, 134, in nine. Arturo Vazquez, 110, outpointed Jose Juan Zurita, 114, in seven. Cuervo Salinas, 112, stopped Pulgarcito Gutierrez, 113, in five. Babe Tinajero, 111, stopped Kid San Luis, 114, in one.

▶ Mauro Vazquez, 126, took only two rounds to stop Kid Leoncito, 127, in the main event. Vazquez, a Mexico City Golden Gloves Tournament product, so far has won all his pro matches, eight in all, by KO. Watch this boy.

Lalo Camarena, 126, outpointed Cachorro Meza, 125, in ten. Carlos Loyola, 127, outpointed Apolinar Anaya, 124, in six. Tony Hernandez, 117, stopped Chuy Hernandez, 116, in three.

▶ Frankie "Kid" Anslem, 147, British Honduras, stopped Everardo Armenta, 145, in three. Hilario Morales, 127, stopped Xochimilca Kid, 126, in two. Kid Tlaxcala, 134, stopped Raul Torres, 136, in four. Abelardo Diaz, 117, outpointed Paulino Guerrero, 117, in four. Teofilo Lopez, 125, outpointed Roberto Marquez, 125, in four.

▶ Jorge Manjarrez, 125, outpointed Guillermo "Chicharrita" Medina, 128, in ten. Eduardo Guerrero, 117, stopped Kid San Martin, 119, in six. Benny Rodriguez, 135, stopped Luis Espinosa, 136, in five. Memo Balderas, 115, outpointed Efrain Quintana, 119, in six. Jose Trejo, 126, and Enrique Arzate, 124, drew in four.

▶ Genaro Serafin, 127, got unpopular decision over Manuel Jimenez, 125, in ten. Emilio Olivares, 126, outpointed Tono Coria, 125, in ten. Marcel Montoya, 117, outpointed Delfino Martinez, 114, in eight. Jose Vega,

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124, stopped Joaquin Fernandez, 125, in two. Ricardo Vergara, 127, outpointed Abel Martinez, 125, in four.

▶ Ramon Calatayud, 110, Venezuela, stopped Pimi Barajas, 115, in the tenth, last round of the main event. Beto Carbajal, 131, stopped Carlos Arregui, 134, in nine. Jose Campos, 134, stopped Humberto Vilchis, 132, in six. Alex Jimenez, 115, outpointed Ernesto Quevedo, 117, in six. Luis Lopez, 115, stopped Carlos Verdiguer, 116, in four.

▶ Frankie "Kid" Anslem, 145, stopped Jesse Bogart, 148, in three. Al Urbina, 132, stopped Al Olivera, 133, in seven. Rosendo Martinez, 118, outpointed Luis Gallegos, 117, in eight. Pancho Rubio, 125, outpointed Tony Arizmendi, 126, in six. Nicolas Rangel, 126, stopped Serafin Castro, 125, in four.

▶ Frankie Campos, 118, little barber from Los Angeles, stopped Jose Luis Mora, 118, in three. Roque Fernandez, 118, stopped Chocolate Barrera, 116, in four. Manuel Rojas, 118, outpointed Chucho Arriola, 117, in eight. Alfonso Palma, 105, stopped Leonardo Lopez, 109, in two. Mike Mendoza, 137, outpointed Guero Lopez, 136, in four.

BOXING IN ARGENTINA

By Simon Bronenberg and Alfredo Porzio

BUENOS AIRES.—IN LUNA PARK STADIUM FEATHER WEIGHTS Raul Vargas and Pedro Miranda drew in 10 rounds.—Receipts: $22,936.

▶ Cordoba.—The light champion of Argentina, Jaime Gine, won the decision in 10 rounds over Rogelio Andre.—Receipts: $23,-013.

▶ Buenos Aires.—In "Babilonia Stadium", Ernesto Miranda, bantamweight challenger, kayoed Jose Domingo Luna in second round and the same night, Francisco Ciucci, welterweight, stopped Benjamin Ferreyra in six rounds.

▶ Buenos Aires.—In Luna Park the undefeated Juan Carlos Rivero lost to Panamanian Frederick Thompson in 10 rounds.—Rivero was not in the same class of his opponent. Great receipts: $482,533 and the attendance: 21,233.

▶ Bahia Blanca. — Lightheavyweight Jose Tassara drew with Adolfo Cruz, in 10 rounds.—Receipts: $5,241.50.

▶ Cordoba. — Humberto Madriaga, lightweight, won on points over 10 rounds in an intensely disputed contest over Rogelio Andre.—Receipts: $14,486.20.

▶ Buenos Aires.—In "Babilonia Stadium" Norberto Barrera, middleweight, drew Santiago Mezza in 10 rounds and Santiago Pereyra won the decision over Guillerme Mendoza.

▶ Santa Fe.—At the Pabellon de las Industrias, the flyweight champion of the world, PASCUAL PEREZ, won (non title) from Urbiota Sosa on a K.O. in fourth round.—Receipts: $53,000.

▶ Chivilcoy.—The undefeated Oscar De Piche lost in 10 rounds with Andres Villalba in a middle-weight bout.

▶ Mar del Plata.—Andres Selpa Argentine middleweight champion, kayoed Angel Bello in 10 rounds at the "Bristol Stadium".—Receipts: $24,262.

▶ Buenos Aires.—Babilonia. The good prospect in the flyweight class, Carlos Miranda and first challenger for the Argentine flyweight title, won on points over 10 rounds, against Luis Jimenez.

▶ Buenos Aires.—In Luna Park Stadium, middleweight Victor Zalazar undefeated, kayoed Luis Toledo, also undefeated in nine rounds, Rolando Caballero lightweight, decisioned Alejandro Martinez in ten, and Osvaldo Amburi, undefeated lightweight, won the decision in 10 rounds over Victor Cejas.—Receipts: $19,002.

▶ Buenos Aires.—In Luna Park, Martiniano Pereyra, Argentine welterweight champion, won the decision in a title match over Jorge Fernandez. Pereyra won in an intensely contest in 15 rounds.

▶ Buenos Aires.—In "Babilonia Stadium", lightweight Jovito Arregui kayoed Rene Pereyra in second round.—Pereyra is a brother of Martiniano, the Argentine welterweight champion.—Ramon Leal kayoed Emilio Jackson, of Venezuela in two rounds and Marcelo Garnica won the decision in 10 over Miguel Gonzalez.

▶ Buenos Aires.—Pedro Miranda, featherweight, kayoed Aldo Gamboa in second round at "Luna Park". Receipts: $16,125.

▶ Tucuman.—The Argentine lightweight champion, Jaime Gine, outpointed Jose Ferreyra easily in ten rouds.

▶ Buenos Aires.—The featherweight champion of Germany, Rudi Langer, received a severe lacing from the Argentine champion, Ricardo Gonzalez (Gonzalito), who won on a knockout in six rounds.

▶ Buenos Aires.—In "Babilonia Stadium" middleweight Oscar Rojas, a good prospect, defeated Ramon Esquivel in a very disputed fight. $5,500 receipts.

▶ Rosario.—At "Norte Stadium", featherweight Juan Ramallo kayoed Jose P. Casas in the first and undefeated Santos Similli lightweight won over Jorge Brunetti in 10 rounds.

▶ La Plata.—Carlos Moreyra, flyweight, lost the decision in 10 rounds to Ricardo Valdez.

▶ Bahia Blanca.—At the "Salon de los Deportes", the Argentine middleweight champion, Andres Selpa, kayoed Juan Oviedo in four. Receipts: $43,895, record this season.

▶ Buenos Aires.—In "Babilonia Stadium", Vicente Panzani, welterweight, won over Benjamin Ferreyra in 10 rounds; Juan C. Molina, lightweight, defeated Alberto Mendoza in 10 and Aroldo Rodriguez, a good prospect in the lightweight class, won over Guillermo Mendoza in 10.—Receipts: $4,100.

▶ Tucuman.—Another flyweight prospect, Horacio Accavallo, won on points in 10 rounds over Ramon Juarez.

▶ Buenos Aires.—In "Babilonia Stadium", Carlos Miranda, lightweight, won the decision over Rafael Azuaga.

▶ Buenos Aires.—At Luna Park, Cirilo Gil won the decision over the welter champion of Germany, Gunter Hase, in 10 rounds.—

▶ Buenos Aires.—In a hard fight, undefeated lightweight Miguel Angel Pendola and Angel Olivieri drew in ten.—Receipts: $30,230.

▶ Mar del Plata.—In "Bristol Stadium", Tito Xanni kayoed Oscar Schiarelli in seventh round in a middleweight bout.—The winner is now, the "official challenger" of Andres Selpa, the Argentine champion in this division.—Receipts: $75,000.

▶ Tandil.—At the "Santamarina Club", the flyweight champion of the world PASCUAL PEREZ, kayoed Pablo Sosa in three.

▶ Buenos Aires.—At "Babilonia Stadium", Antonio Gomez won on points over 10 rounds against Luis Jimemez.

▶ Buenos Aires.—In the feather bout, Manuel Alvarez, ex-Argentine champion, drew with Raul Vargas, in 10 rounds in an intensely fought contest.—Attendance: 6,325 and $75,-345 receipts.

BOXING IN PANAMA

By Juan W. Copeland

EMPRESSA TORRES BROTHERS CAME BACK WITH TWO PROGRAMS during the month starring Enrique Antena Perea at the National Gymnasium. Enrique easily defeated Rudolfo Tito Marshall in 10 rounds in the first showing and Kid Chocolate II in the other. He knocked out Chocolate in the third round. Chocolate weighed 125¼ to 128¼ for Perea.

Marshall and Perea are feathers. Each weighed 128 pounds.

On the first card, in the semi-final, Vicente Worrell knocked out Black Bill, featherweight in the fourth round. Basilio Williams knocked out Gregario Martinez in the fourth. They are bantams.

In another bantam bout, Ernesto Campbell knocked out Salvador Molino in the fifth round.

▶ On the second card staged by the National Gymnasium, Vicente Worrell was halted by Rodolfo Tito Marshall in the sixth round. Marshall weighed 124¼ and Worrell, 123.

Salvador Molino won over Basilio Williams in four rounds by a decision.

Arturo Smith, 124¾ stopped Tommy Gomez, 128½ in round two.

NEWS FROM CUBA

By Dr. Jose Vieites

HAVANA: FIGHTING AFTER A SIX MONTH LAYOFF AND WITH only 15 days of training, was a big order for Cuban featherweight champion Ciro Morasen who after leading for the first six rounds, tired badly in the last four, especially the last two in his ten rounder with Mexican Kid Anahuac, and only got a draw verdict.

Morasen came in at 127, Anahuac at 127¾ pounds. All three officials voted differently, but if there was any margin, I think it belonged to the Mexican. Anyway it was a close fight. They drew $16,667.80.

In the other star bout, also a ten rounder, a sensational fight took place between Puppy Garcia and Martin Rodriguez (both rated one time or another by The RING, same as Morasen and Anahuac).

The fight was very close and Garcia received the split verdict after a bloody encounter. In my opinion Rodriguez had a small margin and the verdict should have been in favor of Rodriguez. Garcia weighed 126¾, Rodriguez, 127½.

Rest of the card: Julian Perez, 131, won in eight from Rollie Garcia, 136. Augusto Narvalle, 126¼, lost in six to Inocencio Cartas, 126¾; and Cristobal Gonzalez, 123½, won in four from Roberto Torres, 124.

▶ **Havana**—Jose Ramon Flores, 146¾, was beaten in ten by Mexican Alvaro Gutierrez, 145½.

Eduardo Garcia, 126½, was stopped in two by Venezuela's Tony Padron, 128½.

Rest of the card: Tony Lamelas, 133, won in six from Humberto de la Rosa, 130. Luis Gonzalez, 128, stopped Juan Vega, also 128, in the first, and Felix Gutierrez, 118½, stopped Carlos Suarez, 119½, in 2.

▶ **Havana**—Cuba's newly crowned lightweight champion, Tato Menendez, 137, won easily in ten from Alberto Robinson, 138.

Heavy-hitting bantam contender, Huesito Gonzalez, 123½, scored five knockdowns in the ten round bout to win from Mexico's Rudy Coronado, 123, easily.

Rest of the Card: William Hurst, 135¾, and Al (Indian) Bisbe, 137, drew in eight furious rounds. Hiram Bacallao, 112, won in four from Rafael Correa, 111, and Sal Hernandez won in six (after the main event) from Pablo Cardenas, 141¼. Sal came in at 142½.

▶ **HAVANA**—Cuban flyweight champion, Oscar Suarez, 111¾, was in fine form again and he retained his title in 12 rounds against the challenge of Johnsito Rodriguez, 112. Suarez, who fought Pascal Perez last year for the world's title, and who holds a draw and a win over Mexico's Memo Diez, won at least ten out of 12.

Kid Fichique, 154½, got a draw in ten with Venezuela's Ismael Espana, 151. In my opinion the Kid had a slight edge.

Rest of the Card: Osmaro Hernandez, 164, stopped Mario Coll, 163½, in four. Augusto Narvalle, 126¾, won in four from Orlando Hernandez, 129¾; and Enrique Casanovas, 114, stopped Luis Regueiras, 112½, in the first.

▶ **Santa Clara**—Tato Menendez, 134¾, won the Cuban lightweight title when he easily decisioned champion Baby Cochet, 135, in 12 rounds.

In another star bout, a ten rounder, Kid Fichique turned the tables on Baby Colon and stopped him in the fourth. Both came in at 150¾ pounds.

▶ **Santa Clara**—Baby Cochet, 138, was held to a ten round draw by Alberto Robinson, 136¾.

Tato Menendez, 137, won easily in ten from Juan Medina, 138½.

BERMUDA NOTES

By George Brech

BERMUDA'S ROGER HARVEY, 142, GAINED A CLOSE BUT UNANIMOUS 10-round decision over a likeable Irish youngster, Pat O'Brien, 144, now of New York City, in an all-action bout climaxed by the wildest nonstop, toe-to-toe slugging in the last round ever seen in Bermuda.

O'Brien took a count of nine in the second round, then recovered ground steadily.

Jersey Joe Walcott, former world champion, received a typical warm Bermuda welcome when he entered the ring to referee the two top bouts, and was largely responsible for attracting one of the largest gates seen in an Island Boxing Association promotion.

Joey Damiano, 153, New York, lost a unanimous decision to Fred Thomas, 156, Bermuda, in the six-round semi-final.

In another scheduled six, Ray Simons, 160, gained an unpopular TKO decision in 2:58 of the fourth when Cyclone Riley, 157½, was sent to his corner under the rule eliminating a boxer after three knockdowns in the same round.

In fours, Alan Rego, 159, KO'd James Samuels, 154, in 2:10 of the second; Art Doers, 132, outpointed Irving Raynor, 131; and Burton Cox, 135, had little difficulty in stopping Reginald Smith, 133, in 1:55 of the first.

BOXING FROM THE CAROLINAS

By Chris Cline

CHARLOTTE, PARK CENTER:—ONE OF THE BLOODIEST BRAWLS SEEN IN A LOCAL ring in many a year was served up to a large turn out of 3,266 fans as unbeaten former Golden Glove champion Waban Thomas, 208, halted comebacking Neil Wallace, 204, both of Charlotte, at the start of the ninth round. These two battlers, the short, puggy Thomas and the tall burley Wallace, slugged it out toe-to-toe from the opening bell. Thomas was in trouble early in the fifth, but decked his foe later in that round.

Wallace, despite a completely closed right eye, had an edge in the next two but was dropped again in the eighth when the bell saved him. The doctor would not let him come out for the ninth.

In the semi-final Robert Oliphant, 140, stopped Mickey Bishop, 138, both local, in the seventh. Go-Go White, 163, Durham, N. C., won over Tommy Myree, 168, Ft. Jackson, S. C. 6; Nicky Alcarez, 140, Charlotte, edged Carl Chastain, 138, Gastonia, N. C. 6, and Billy Walters, 192, Rock Hill, S. C., kayoed John May, 204, Charlotte, in the third.

HALL OF FAME

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went he was knocked out by Willie Jackson in Philadelphia in one round. He didn't quit the ring until 1929. He now is engaged in business in East Orange, New Jersey.

PACKEY McFARLAND
"The Stockyards Lightweight"

Patrick F. McFarland was born on November 1, 1888 in Chicago, back of the Stockyards. Though he was brought up in that tough district, he was far from being a toughie. He stood 5 feet 8 inches in height and scaled between 137 and 140 pounds. He seldom fought within the lightweight limit. He had a hard time making the weight and refused to do so.

Packey started his ring career in 1904 at the age of fifteen. That year he lost to Dusty Miller, the only fight that ever went against him. Only two fighters were able to floor him, Ray Bronson and Cyclone Jimmy Thompson, and he said that only Kid Burns ever gave him a shiner. He scored many knockouts and also engaged in many no-decision fights, since most of his contests took place during the era of decisionless bouts.

Packey was without question one of the greatest lightweights of all time though he never held the crown because he wouldn't make the then required weight of 133 pounds.

He knocked out Jimmy Britt; drew in 20 and 25 rounds with Freddy Welsh and beat him in ten. He gave Jack Britton a boxing lesson, though Jack was one of the cleverest welters of his time, and fought thrilling bouts with Leach Cross, One Round Hogan, Matt Wells, Tommy Murphy, Dick Hyland, Dave Deshler and Owen Moran.

McFarland had been in retirement a year and a half when "popular demand" brought him back for a 10-round no-decision match with Mike Gibbons at the Brighton Beach Motordrome in Brooklyn in 1915. The bout, between two of the most dazzling boxers of the era, was a distinct disappointment. After his long spell of inactivity, McFarland wasn't too sure of himself. Gibbons, who had reduced several pounds below his best weight, also was overly cautious. The result was a clever but uneventful boxing exhibition. McFarland retired permanently after the bout; became interested in a brewery and other industries in Joliet, Ill., and later became director of the Catholic Youth Organization. He died September 23, 1936, after an illness of two months, from a heart attack.

CHARLES MITCHELL
Charles Watson Mitchell

Born, March 24, 1861 at Birmingham, England. Height, 5 feet, 9 inches. Weight, 165 pounds. Died, April 3, 1918.

Recognized as the British champion, Mitchell came to this country in 1883. He had one unimportant fight then met the all-powerful John L. Sullivan, who swung too many punches for him. The fight was stopped in the third round. At that time Mitchell weighed 158.

A rematch was arranged for Chantilly, France, on the Baron Rothschild estate. Mitchell had gained some weight, hiting about 175. That fight, on March 10th, 1888, went 39 rounds, 3 hours and 11 minutes, to a draw. Mitchell's friends claimed the title but it was never recognized.

Mitchell beat Dominick McCaffrey, who had held John L. to a draw. In 1894, Mitchell, near the end of his career, was knocked out by Jim Corbett in three rounds for a purse of $20,000, a side bet of $10,000 and the title. In San Francisco, Mitchell knocked out Duncan C. Ross with one wild swing. He also beat Mike Cleary.

Mitchell was of Irish parentage. He picked up the fight game in 1878, winning in Billy Madden's London championship competition.

BATTLING NELSON
"The Durable Dane"

Born, June 5, 1882 in Copenhagen, Denmark. Height 5 feet 7½ inches. Weight 133 pounds.

Battling Nelson was known as the Durable Dane because of his remarkable endurance. He was a rough and tumble fighter of the boring-in school. He lacked science but could hit hard.

He began his career in 1896.

It was on September 3, 1906 at Goldfield, in a bout promoted by Tex Rickard, that Nelson was disqualified for fouling Joe Gans in a lightweight title bout that ended in the 42nd round. They met again on July 4, 1908 at San Francisco and this time Nelson won the title by scoring a knockout in the 17th round. A third contest was arranged for September 9, 1908 at Colma, Calif., and Nelson retained his crown, halting Gans in the 21st round.

Nelson lost his championship to Ad Wolgast by a knockout in the fortieth round on February 22, 1910 at Point Richmond, Calif., with Eddie Smith the referee. The Durable Dane quit the ring in October 1913, then made a comeback in August of the following year and on and off he engaged in contests through 1923 when he hung up his gloves.

He died on Feb. 7, 1954, at Chicago, Ill.

LES DARCY

No Australian boxer was more popular or thrilled the people of his native land more than did the youthful Les Darcy who became a pugilistic idol Down Under before he had reached the age of manhood. Les, christened James Leslie Darcy, was born in Woodville, New South Wales, on October 31, 1895. He began his boxing career as an amateur when only fifteen years old and it wasn't long before the Australians realized that they had in this boy a future champion. A year later, he joined the professional ranks.

With the exception of Jeff Smith, the clever American middleweight, young Darcy polished off all comers in a flashy manner, particularly American invaders. Bob Whitelaw, an Australian, and Fritz Holland, another American, were the only others to take his measure, Les losing to Bob in 20 rounds shortly after he started his pro career and Holland winning on a foul in 18 rounds and on a decision in 20. Darcy avenged the Whitelaw defeat with a five round knockout and also stopped Holland in 1915 in 13 rounds when Les had reached top form as a fighter.

Among his American victims were Frank Loughrey, Eddie McGoorty (who was halted twice in 15 and then in 8 rounds), Jimmy Clabby, whom he twice licked in 20 rounds, George Chip, who was knocked out in 9 rounds, and Buck Crouse, who was halted in two.

In 1917, when World War I was on, Darcy unfortunately left his country to come to America and when he arrived in the United States he was hounded, prevented from boxing and wound up in Memphis, Tenn. Gov. Whitman of New York charged that he was a slacker and that charge and the general attitude of Americans broke his heart. He became ill and died in a Memphis hospital, but not before he had joined the Tennessee National Guard in appreciation for the courtesy extended to him by the Governor of that state.

KID McCOY
"The Corkscrew Kid"

Christened Norman Selby, McCoy was born on October 13, 1873, at Rush County, Ind. He was a natural middleweight but fought men in the heavyweight and light heavy division.

He was 5 feet, 11 and scaled 160 pounds. He started his career in 1891, and retired in 1914, after a tour of Europe.

At one time he claimed the light heavy crown. He was the original globe trotter. He introduced boxing into many parts of Africa and Europe.

He knocked out Tommy Ryan at Maspeth, L. I., in 15 rounds to win the welterweight title on March 2, 1896, after which he went into the higher divisions because of weight increase. He then fought Jack Root for the light heavyweight crown on April 22, 1903, at Detroit, but was outpointed.

He committed suicide in Detroit, Mich., April 18, 1940.

BOXING BITS FROM SINGAPORE
By Little Nene

IN THE GREAT WORLD ARENA, KIM KI SONG, OF SEOUL, 143½, the first Korean boxer to fight in the local ring in many years, kayoed Singapore's Tiger Hassan, 144, in the fifth round.

A handsome lad at 27, five feet-eight inches tall, Ki Song proved too rugged for his opponent. He put the TIGER down twice before finishing him with a right uppercut to the midsection in 2:32 of the fifth.

Mel Ahmad, 124, stopped Alf Castillo, 125½, in the 4th frame. Cisco Kid, 127, TKO'ed Terry Curly, 125½, in the fourth. Joo Fang, 115, kayoed Fgt. Samat in the third and rugged Angelo, 115, stopped Kid Hussein, 112, in the third.

After the fights, Kim Ki Song was awarded a handsome trophy, donated by Atty. Denis Murphy, for being the outstanding and best fighter of the evening.

▶In the Great World Arena, promoted by 'Premier Promotions', before a banner crowd HUGH RILLEY, 119, of Scotland, outsmarted and out generalled Malay featherweight Don RAZALI, 123. Rilley was awarded the verdict in the sixth round on disqualification by Referee Al Rivers, after Razali used his head for butting too often.

In the ten round supporting event, a bout for the 112 pound championship, Little Pancho, 109, stopped Fgt. Jamal, 111, in the fourth canto. Jamal suffered a cut over his left eye.

William Tiger Smith, 152, and KAN TONG KEE, 149½, drew in four. Rugged Angelo, 115, and Jackie Neo, 112, fought a four round draw. Robert Goh, 111, kayoed Boy Sahad in three rounds and Lee Kim, 113, was stopped in the third.

BOXING IN THAILAND
By Hans Koslowski

THE OPEN-AIR LUMPINI STADIUM PRESENTED A FILIPINO-THAI BOXING evening with Leo Espinosa vs. Lao Lertrit as main event. It will be remembered that the Filipino boy lost by KO a few weeks ago against 120, however, in Thai Style. This fight was an International Style contest scheduled for 8 rounds, and Leo Espinosa emerged as the winner by a KO in the 2nd round.

In the other three fights, the Thai boxers Bua Kaew Yontrakit, Manchai E.T.B. and Payoong Nabhapol won on points against Little Independence, Pat Ulburo and Baby Gony.

FROM THE PHILIPPINES
By Felipe J. C. Galang

AL ASUNCION, 117, WORLD RANKING BANTAMWEIGHT, became the bantamweight champion of the Philippines by knocking out titleholder, Arab Jr., 116¾, in the 7th round of a scheduled 12 round bout at the coliseum. A left and a right to the stomach ended the night for Arab. Little Cezar, 125¾, drew with Saipetch Yongtakit 125¾, of Thailand, in 10 rounds. The referee voted a draw while a judge was for Cezar and one judge gave the fight to Yongtrakit.

Young Aquino, 114, won over Takeshi Yamaguchi, 113, in a 10 round bout. Terry Rebolado, 135, outpointed veteran Severo Fuentes, 135, in 10 rounds. Havellana Kid, 136, halted Lucky Marcelo, 136, in the third round. Army Wonder Boy, 124, kayoed Dio Cagulada, 126, in the eighth round. Flor Reyes, 132, and Rady Rey, 127, drew in the 4 round curtain raiser.

▶Golden Rock, 119, drew with Paul Pascua, 119, in 4 rounds in Roxas, Isa bela province. Vic Santos, 120, kayoed Fighting Juanito, 118, in the second round. Fighting Peralta, 130, halted Rush Munding, 125, in the fifth. Ray Serdan, 120, bested Johnny Madrid, 120, in 6. Young Cezar, 125, decisioned Rocky Romeo, 127, in 6. Clever Perez, 118, kayoed Baby Eagle, 119, in fifth round.

▶Star Paulog, 145, stopped Xth Battalion, 147, in the second round in Calawag, Quezon. Little Beting, 112, drew with Station Boy, 110, in 8. Little Pony, 112, drew with Little Hagibis, 110, in 4. Young Andes, 118, drew with Little Andy, 121, in 4. Tony Avelina, 115, halted Ben Delloson, 115, in 4. Young Tecio, 105, kayoed Little Villa, 105, in the second round. Young Teddy, 103, decisioned Station Boy Jr., 105, in 4. Bigaan Boy, 106, outpointed Baby Arnel, 106, in 4.

▶Rocky Briones, 128, knocked out Budy Sacramento, 126, in the sixth round at Tagkawayan, Quezon province. Nick Johnson, 125, kayoed Gil Belsa, 128, in 5. Joe Gualbert, 112, halted Star Bohol, 112, in the 1st round. Strong Maning, 124, drew with Star Solano, 124, in 6. Little Santos, 116, kayoed Swift Blackie, 118, in 2. Little Ramos, 112, and Little Regalado, 112, drew in 4.

▶Teddy Alama, 140, defeated Winnie Rebolado, 134, in 10 rounds in Tejeron, Makati. Small Dave, 108, bested Tony Chaves, 108, in 6. Johnny Williams, 133, kayoed Flor Reyes, 113, in 4. Angel Boy, 115, decisioned Ernie Paredes, 113, in 6. Buddy de Marco, 112, outfought Eladio Enrile, 111, in 6. Jess de Leonk, 114, drew with Rogelio Kid, 111, in 6. Rey Cerdan, 105, bested Rush Rodrigo, 110, in 4. Young Lauro, 110, decisioned Lory Matador, 105, in 4 rounds.

▶Rocky Romeo, 126, drew with Moring Macalinao, 123, in 8 rounds in Binangonan, Rizal. Jose Fino, 117, decisioned Flash Gordon, 120, in 6. Alex Olinares, 116, won over Young Coling, 118, in 6. Black Boy, 122, drew with Fighting Albert, 128, in 6. Petty Wick, 110, kayoed Rush Castor, 106, in 2. Johnny Arce, 130, won over Rocky Ignacio, 125, in 4. Clever Pacio, 126, drew with Speedy Pasco, 120, in the 4 round curtain raiser.

NEWS FROM MOBILE
By Art Drago

WELTERWEIGHT GUY SUMLIN REMAINED UNBEATEN AS HE decisioned Otho Sligar, Cut and Shoot, Tex. in an eight-round bout. It was the only card presented here during August as the Mobile Boxing Enterprises cut down its program in deference to the mid-summer heat.

The best crowd for any of the six MBE shows presented to date saw Sumlin score his fourth win in five outings. The other bout was a no decision affair.

The feature tiff was a bit slow but the customers got plenty of action in the semi-windup as Tony Dupas, middleweight brother of lightweight contender Ralph, belted out Buck Wood, Houston, in 1:12 of the second. Dupas, fresh out of the Navy and under the tutelage of Whitie Eseneault, looked sharp in his first bout here in three years.

Carleton Wilson, 147, Mobile scored his fifth straight victory when he finished strong to get the nod over Manny Gonzales, Beaumont, 138, in four rounds. Houston's Dale Davis, 146, racked up his third straight win since turning pro when he flattened Bobby Evans, Atlanta, 140, in 1:35 of the second in a scheduled four-rounder. Marlin Moore, 144½, Mobile and George Sadler, 147, Atlanta, battled to a draw in an action-packed four which opened the card.

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TV & BOXING

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GOING COMMERCIAL

For the first time in several years there will be no telecasts from the Olympic Auditorium and the Hollywood Legion Stadium in California, over stations KTLA and KHJ-TV. As of October 1 both stations discontinued televising the weekly boxing shows.

The stations made the joint announcement, with Lew Arnold, general manager of KTLA saying the move was motivated by apparent lack of interest among local viewers.

However, Lou Ziff, Sports Editor of the Los Angeles Mirror-News, feels that the real villains were the stations themselves.

Writing in his column "The Inside Track," Ziff commented: "They murdered local boxing in cold blood. They did it with commercials. One right after the other. Long, dull and exasperating harangues. An announcer put the clock on one show at the Olympic that had an hour of actual combat and an hour and a half of commercials and introductions."

Ziff went on to explain that the Olympic was also to blame, "by offering a poor quality of TV main events. When the club had something good it was a policy to stage it after the TV program had gone off the air."

The action, it seems, became a pause between commercials.

GROUNDED

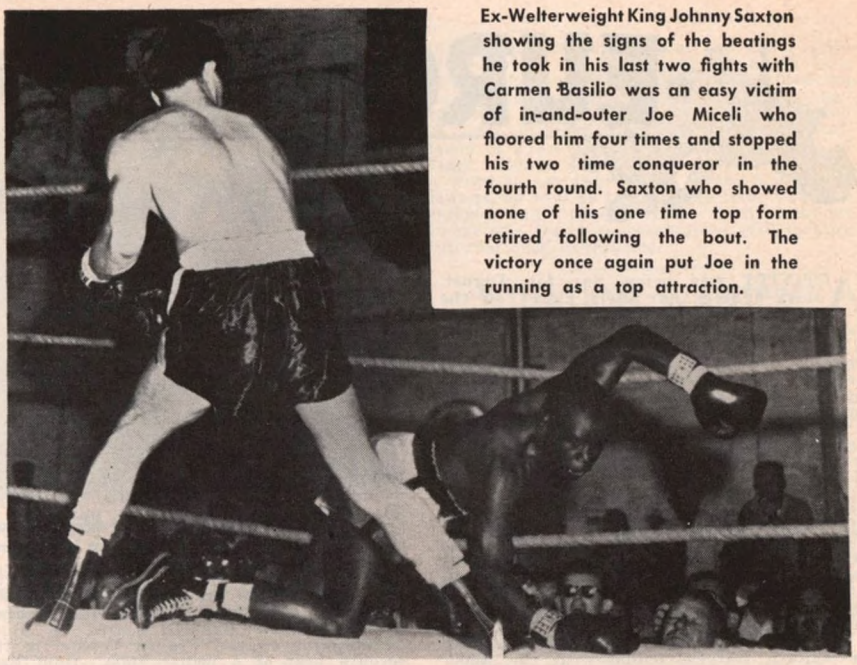
Beginning September 10 a 26 week series of professional fight cards were to be televised in the Portland (Ore.) area from Promoter Tommy Moyer's Portland Boxing Club. It was planned to use only local fighters in the weekly Tuesday night fights, each card consisting of five four round bouts, and an eight rounder to be televised.

However, the series never got off the ground and on the air. Three days prior to the first telecast, KPTV, which was to carry the shows, and two other Portland television stations became involved in a union strike. The result canceled the Tuesday Night Fights before it started.

It is believed that when the strike is settled the program will be televised.

CHANNEL HOPPING . . . Starting September 13 Cuban boxing fans began seeing matches televised directly from the U. S. via the CMBF-Cadena Nacional Network.

The Archie Moore-Tony Anthony world light heavyweight title fight in Los Angeles was carried over the NBC-TV Network on a national hook-up, with LA, San Diego and surrounding area for a radius of 150 miles blacked-out.



Ex-Welterweight King Johnny Saxton showing the signs of the beatings he took in his last two fights with Carmen Basilio was an easy victim of in-and-outer Joe Miceli who floored him four times and stopped his two time conqueror in the fourth round. Saxton who showed none of his one time top form retired following the bout. The victory once again put Joe in the running as a top attraction.

FROM OUR READERS

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"What could I do?", asked Corbett. "He was too smart".

If you know of any book which told the real facts about the Jeffries-Johnson battle, wish you would give me its name. I would like to compare it with what Corbett told me.

Edward A. Vandeventer,
Fayetteville, Arkansas

OF THIS AND THAT

On reading your September issue of The Ring I'm convinced, impossible though it may seem, that the old Boxing Bible gets better every time out.

I was especially interested in your editorial where you fired a verbal blast at bum decisions and silly matchmaking. I have to agree with you one hundred percent.

Personally, I can't see where Cus D'Amato is doing the best by Floyd Patterson at all. It seems because he and Jim Norris aren't on the best of terms, the champ is kept out of the public eye and I'm sure the champ's prestige won't rise one iota if he belts out Rademacher. Knowing how the average fight fan sympathizes with the underdog, if Patterson knocks out the ex-Olympian they will shrug and say, "So what did you expect?" If the champ punishes Peter for fifteen rounds, Patterson will still be a bum for failure to knock out a mere amateur.

And if D'Amato intends to make lots of money of a "Bum of the Month" campaign I think he'll be disappointed. After the champ has disposed of the first couple in short order, I fail to see where fans will be drawn to future matches. They could easily lose interest in these "title" fights and even develop a dislike for the champ. I know Joe Louis fought a few such also but the old Brown Bomber didn't bar anyone. Leading contenders got their chance. I can't figure out why this Patterson-Rademacher bout was allowed anyway, no matter what the outcome. It seems to me that a couple of years ago a bout proposed between Art Aragon and Sugar Ray was disallowed because of being such a mismatch.

Another thing that gets me is the way leading contenders get neglected while champions step out of the divisions. Robinson fought Fullmer after months of dallying. More months followed and they had a return. Now Sugar Ray goes out of his division to fight Basilio. If he loses, he'll fight Basilio again later on.

In the space of about two years, Robinson will have fought but one of his leading contenders—Fullmer. It's a wonder these guys in the top ten don't give up in disgust. And while Basilio is fighting Robinson all the top men in the welter division are deprived at a chance of the title. Patterson fights bums, Helfand has to get after Archie Moore to defend his title and Robinson and Basilio are in each other's territory.

How about a good word on Pete Kawulia, Nat? Seems every time I look at the Ring results he's beaten somebody. His record must be pretty good by now but the little feather never seems to hit the limelight.

Bill Simpson,
Winnipeg, Canada

EUROPEAN GOSSIP

BY CHARLIE PARISH

ACTIVITY was below par for August. Most fighters left their gloves on the nail and took a vacation. Peter Muller bounced into action late in the month with a win over Diouf and Fred Galiana had a couple of outings. The first was a kayo triumph but in the second, he snagged against tough Bobby Ros, his old bogey, and came through with an even-stephen.

Leen Jansen made things mighty uncomfortable for Pat MacAteer in England but was taken out of hostilities with a cut eye, despite his protests.

Peter Waterman disposed of three Continentals in jig-time—Michel Francois, Nick Moos and Ernst Zetzmann. The latter was the first German to box in London since the war. Franz Szuzina kept piling up the wins in the States but his compatriots Rudi Langer and Gunter Hase were checked in Argentina. Fernand Nollett returned from Australia after a brief sojourn.

▶ Cagliari, Italy—Attendance at the Amsicora Stadium here was around 15,000 when Piero Rollo achieved the best performance of his career by stopping Jimmy Carson of Scotland in nine rounds. Carson previously stopped a World Champion, Alphonse Halimi, and on the strength of that achievement, he was well paid for tackling the Italian champion. Both Halimi and Carson are overrated. Rollo's win was well-earned, however, and with the bantam division being in a state of chaos, he stands a good chance at winning the European title and possibly a shot at the World crown. His victory over the Scot was given great publicity in Italy and reflects the current ambitions of the Italians to swamp all the European titles.

Fortunato Manca swelled his record with a win over the oft-defeated Spanish welter, Alberto Yanguas, who was iced in the sixth round. A second Spaniard, Jose Manrique drew with Efisio Melis in a welter eight. Salvatore Boi thumped out a victory over Dante Madella in a middles ten and Angelo Piu beat Simonetti in a bantam six.

▶ Barcelona, Spain.—Once again Luis Romero proved that he is capable of handling difficult opposition, despite advancing years. Robert Tartari of France kept up a regular attack in the early rounds but was unable to withstand the Spaniard's left hooks and finished the rest of the bout on the defensive. Romero won over ten rounds. Jose Manrique was again in action, trimming the Italian, Fioravente Merlo, in a good lightweight eight while Francisco Carreno was rather lucky to get the nod over Giacomo Spano, Italian flyweight, over eight rounds.

▶ Genoa, Italy.—Duilio Loi returned here after a long absence to fight the Trinidad journeyman, Jack Subero. Loi won as he pleased in the 10 rounder.

Mino Bozzano, being touted for a title bout with Bacilieri, had more difficulty with his foe, Maurice Mols of France, and won a very close heavyweight eight on points. Fortilli whipped Aldo Brunetti in a cruiser six, Furio iced Raba in the third of a welter clash and Michelon nodded Bruzzone in a middles six.

▶ Rome, Italy—It was lucky for Sandro D'Ottavio when he clashed with Rocco Mazzola for the vacant cruiser title. It was the Roman's third tilt at a national title and would probably have been his last chance but D'Ottavio's perseverance put him in front. The verdict was given a mixed reception and Mazzola will probably get a return with the new champ.

Sergio Caprari fought an excellent battle with the Spanish bantam, Jose Luis Martinez, and won handily over eight rounds while Giancarlo Garbelli scored an upset by stopping rugged Franco Vescovi in the seventh heat of a welter slam. Dom Baccheschi withstood the early rushes of Giulio Rinaldi to hand his rival a regular shellacking in the final rounds and won his cruiser eight in good style. Caruso drew with Freschi in a lightie six.

▶ Trieste, Italy.—Ezio Donaggio, local heavyweight, reversed a previous decision by gaining a close win over the tall Neapolitan, Angelo Simeoli, over six rounds.

▶ Troyan, France—Gilbert Chapron, the great cruiser prospect, came through with another victory by punching holes in Mario Faverzani of Italy, obliging the latter to retire in the sixth round. Chapron's real worth cannot be judged until he meets stiffer opposition.

▶ Madrid, Spain—Manuel Salcedo, a good welter from Valencia managed by Baltasar Sangchili, did well to stop Carmelo Beraza in six rounds while Murgui drew with Cifuentes in a lightweight eight.

▶ Pordenone, Italy—In a final eliminator for a crack at Mizzinghi's national middles title, Gino Rossi bulldozed his way to a win over Angelo Brisci after taking a regular hammering in the early rounds. Elio Busetto got the better of Girolamo Piai in a lightweight six.

▶ Ascoli Piceno, Italy—Giancarlo Brusa won by a narrow margin against the tough German middle, Herbert Sowa, over eight rounds and Lionetti dropped Karl Pinsdorf three times before knocking him out in the third round of a lightweight debate.

▶ At Venice—Bruno Scarabellin pounded out a decision over Dante Lepercq, France, in a heavies six after decking his man several times. Germano Cavalieri continued his excellent run of victories by stopping Gaetano De Lucia in seven rounds and Ilagi outscored Aldo Chiesa in a middles six.

▶ Madrid, Spain—Antonio Sarmenteras whipped Latorre in a welter eight here and a few days later, Ben Moktar laced Jose Cifuentes in a welter eight.

▶ At Malaga, highly-touted Cristobal Cisneros was held to a draw over ten rounds by Jose Cartagena in a good welter slam. At the same venue Pedro Paris, ex-bantam champion, scored over Rafael Lahoz in a feathers eight.

▶ At Madrid—Francisco Frances fought it out with southpaw Victoriano Olivares and wound up shoulder to shoulder after ten rounds. This was their fourth meeting.

▶ Oran, Algeria—Fred Galiana repeated a previous triumph by stopping rugged Marcel Dupre in a return bout here. Last May, the Toledo Blade did the trick in seven rounds, this time it took him eight stanzas to iron out the stubborn Frenchman.

▶ In Paris—Andre Valignat trimmed Moustique Meslem in a good feathers ten.

▶ Hyeres, France—Now holder of the French heavies title, Robert Duquesne disposed of one of his challengers in a non-title affair here, tackling Francis Magnetto in his own bailiwick. Duquesne stopped his man in the ninth round and thus has only two further threats to deal with—Maurice Mols, the former champion, and promising Max Brianto.

▶ Varese, Italy—The globe-trotting Filipino, Tanny Campo fought his first bout on Italian soil against Gianni Zuddas, former Olympic star and now approaching the veter stage. After a layoff, Zuddas has been making food progress but he was unable to outwit the classy Campo, who won by a good margin after ten hard rounds.

▶ At Ancona—Gheri Fretzghi tried for a quick knockout against the Swiss welter, Emil Rossier, but the visitor was able to survive that medicine and came back to slug the Negro with interest. At the end of the round, Fretzghi struck the Swiss after the gong sounded and was ruled out.

▶ Madrid, Spain—The Spanish Moroccan, Ben Moktar, surprised Fernando Caballero here by trouncing him in a good lightweight ten while Jose Crespo kept busy with a win over another Moroccan, Mustapha Bekhali, in a lightie eight.

At the same venue a week later, Young Martin engaged in a warmup for his forthcoming meeting with Perez in Argentina, and won in 10 rounds over Lopez Durban, the Catalan bantam slugger.

Manolo Garcia also displayed some unexpected boxing skill in his bout with the Belgian lightie, Georges Devos, and stopped the visitor in round five. Jose Murgui drew with Eugenio Cifuentes in a welter eight.

▶ At Vittoria—Alfredo De Sosa won over Manuel Diaz in a feathers eight.

▶ Bastia, France—On his own Corsican stamping-grounds, Gracieux Lamperti was too much for hardy Rene Beolet, who was obliged to retire after four rounds of a scheduled feathers ten.

▶ Messina, Italy—Almost a year ago to the day, Uber Bacilieri regained his heavies title from Antonio Crosia. Now it was the turn of Crosia to challenge for the crown but his defensive style is hardly suited to that role and his passive style allowed Bacilieri to dictate the run of the fight. Bozzano and De Persio will be more serious challengers.

On the same bill, Giacomo Spano drew with Urbani in a flyweight eight and Masetti bested Walter Cozzani in a welter eight.

▶ At Aosta—Annibale Omodei had his work cut out to earn a draw with aggressive Germano Cavalieri in a fast lightweight ten. Remo Viarengo knocked out Girolamo Piai in the first round of a welter bout.

▶ Madrid, Spain—Manuel Correa, one of the most active Spanish fighters, took on Heinz

CONTINENTAL RATINGS

(MONTH ENDING SEPTEMBER 20, 1957)

HEAVIES	CRUISERS	MIDDLES	WELTER
1. Ingo Johansson (SW)	Willi Hoepner (G)	Charles Humez (F)	Emilio Marconi (I)
2. Hans Kalbfell (G)	Artenio Calzavara (I)	Gustav Scholz (G)	Giancarlo Garbelli (I)
3. Heinz Neuhaus (G)	Gerhard Hecht (G)	Italo Scortichini (I)	Seraphin Ferrer (F)
4. Wm. Besmanoff (G)	Wim Snoek (H)	Andre Drille (F)	Bruno Visintin (I)
5. Hans Friedrich (G)	Charles Colin (F)	Peter Muller (G)	Valere Benedetto (F)
6. Mario De Persio (I)	Sandro D'Ottavio (I)	Germinal Ballarin (F)	Sauveur Chiocca (F)
7. Mino Bozzano (I)	Uwe Janssen (H)	Max Resch (G)	Ben Buker II (S)
8. Alain Cherville (B)	Erich Schoppner (G)	Leen Jansen (H)	Gunter Hase (G)
9. Abert Westphal (G)	Rocco Mazzola (I)	Guido Mazzinghi (I)	Umb. Vernaglione (I)
10. Robert Duquesne (F)	Jacques Bro (F)	Franz Szuzina (G)	Jacq. Herbillon (F)

LIGHTWEIGHTS	FEATHERS	BANTAMS	FLYWEIGHTS
1. Duilio Loi (I)	Cherif Hamia (F)	Alphonse Halimi (F)	Young Martin (S)
2. Felix Chiocca (F)	Jean Sneyers (B)	Mario D'Agata (I)	Aristide Pozzali (I)
3. Laouri Godih (F)	Sergio Caprari (I)	Piero Rollo (I)	Robert Pollazon (F)
4 Fred Galiana (S)	Manolo Garcia (S)	Juan Cardenas (S)	Jean Guerrard (F)
5. Piet v. Klaveren (H)	Altidoro Polidori (I)	Federico Scarponi (I)	Andre Gasperini (F)
6. Mario Vecchiatto (I)	Giordano Campari (I)	Pierre Cossemyns (B)	José Ogazon (S)
7. Fernand Nollet (F)	Rudi Langer (G)	Gianni Zuddas (I)	Christian Marchand (F)
8. Hoacine Khalfi (F)	Louis Poncy (F)	Dante Bini (F)	Henri Schmid (F)
9. Bobby Ros (S)	Gracieux Lamperti (F)	Luis Romero (S)	Edgar Basel (G)
10. Guy Gracia (F)	Aldo Pravisani (I)	Robert Tartari (F)	Francisco Carreno (S)

LEGEND: B Belgium; F France; G Germany; H Holland; I Italy; S Spain; SW Sweden.

Sattler for the fourth time here and on this occasion defeated the German middle via the points route. Albert Duscha was less fortunate than in his Spanish debut a few weeks ago and was soundly beaten by Vicente Etcheverria, whom we last heard of fighting as a welter in the States a couple of years ago.

▶ Madrid, Spain—The latest attempt of Fred Galiana to overcome his old foe, Bobby Ros, ended rather inconclusively. Three times has the lanky raw-boned redhead defeated Galiana, although the latter has whipped many fighters who defeated Ros. Bobby Ros has the Indian Sign on Galiana and their latest meeting attracted a crowd of over 30,000 to the big stadium. The bout was for the Spanish lightie title, held by Ros, and it ended in a draw.

On the same program, Manuel Correa whipped Heinz Sattler of Germany in a middles eight. This was also the fourth time these fighters have clashed. Another German, Albert Duscha, had difficulty in finishing the course against Vicente Etcheverria and lost on points in a cruiser eight. Etcheverria was last heard of fighting in the States as a welter two years ago.

▶ Reggio Emilia, Italy—No whit discomfited by his setback in Caracas, Aristide Pozzali disposed of Renato Denti in jig time. The flyweight champ slung over his vicious left to the liver and stretched the vet for the count in round two.

▶ At Imola—Walter Sentimenti stopped Giuliano Bianchini in the fourth of a cruiser clash.

▶ Berlin, Germany—A crowd of 3,500 attended the Sports Palace to watch Peter Muller carry out the first stage of his rehabilitation program. He picked a Tartar for his first outing, Michel Diouf, who had recently stopped Bouchez and who is well-known for his upset victories. Black Peter won the affair by a safe margin over ten sessions.

Edgar Basel whipped Ali Belhout in a flyweight six and Dieter Wemhoner stiffened Lucien Menu of France in the second frame of a middles slam. Horst Borzokowski, 156, was maybe lucky to get a draw with wily Emile Buccelato, 157, in another six-rounder and Max Heinze licked Gerd Stachowitz, 154, over four.

▶ Vienna, Austria—Hugo Kohler, latest Viennese middles discovery, hit far too hard for Fritz Schwering and belted the German veteran out in the second round. Bobby Warmbrunn of Germany boxed an exhibition with Alfons Kubes, who will shortly be offered as sacrificial goat to Zanaboni in Italy.

With the indoor season right upon us, it might be of interest to briefly survey the Continental line-up while space permits. The heavyweight brigade can be dismissed in a few words, since only Johansson, Neuhaus and perhaps Friedrich can be considered as worthwhile battlers. The Italians also have Cavicchi, now on the down-grade, and a batch of promising newcomers in the persons of Bozzano, Friso, De Persio and Zanaboni.

Germany has Hans Kalbfell and Westphal, the Swedes have Torner Ahsman, the French expect great things from Max Brianto. All these lads are lacking in experience and the field in Europe is too restricted for them to get the opportunity to earn their spurs against class opposition.

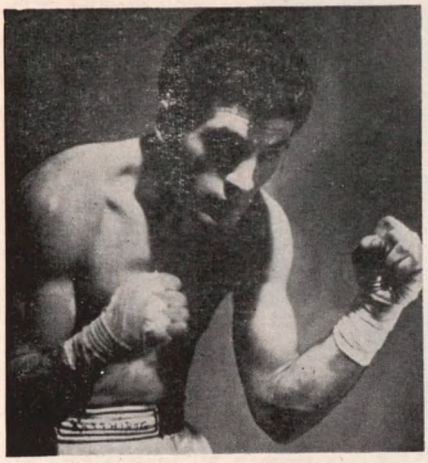
Calzavara heads the cruiser division at the moment but his challengers are many. The Italian is an honest operator who gets results by sheer stamina and hard training; whether he can withstand Hecht in a return bout is to be seen.

The Germans are well represented in this class, with Hecht and Hoepner due to dispute the national title shortly and Schoppner and Uwe Janssen still forging ahead.

Colin, the French champ, is worth another crack at the European crown owing to his consistent performances, as is Wim Snoek, the Dutch globe-trotter who has done so well in South America. The Italians have a strong contingent headed by D'Ottavio, Mazzola, Baccheschi, Rinaldi and Burchi. Chapron is France's hope for the future.

With the middleweights we begin to reach solid ground. The French are strongly represented, with Humez, Drille, Ballarin, Guivarch, Lavoine, Diouf and Malatrez heading their echelon. Germany is backing Gus Scholz to recapture the European title once held by Besselmann and Scholz is closely followed by veteran Peter Muller and some of the newer brigade, such as Max Resch, Wemhohner, Erich Walter, Wohlers and Sattler.

The Belgian champ, Bouchez, has yet to confirm the hopes held for him. Bob Stevens and Kid Dussart are two further popular performers in Belgium whilst the Dutch are likewise well-placed with tough Leen Jansen as standard-bearer.



Mario Vecchiato, Italian lightweight who is undefeated this year, boasts a record of only two losses in forty-three professional fights. One loss was to Bruno Visintin for the vacant Italian lightweight title in 1956.

The Italians are plugging for Scortichini since his fine display against Humez, though Mazzinghi has lost in stature since his kayo by Drille.

Olle Bengtsson is the Scandinavian champion. He has suffered but one defeat, against Turpin, since turning professional about seven years ago. Great hopes are held for Laszlo Papp, though his first bouts have not been impressive. Spain has no brilliant middleweight but a quartet of dour trial-horses in champion Correa and Domingo Lopez, Domingo Mena and Frances.

The welter division lacks its pre-war brilliance and is dominated by a large group of good club-fighters of approximately the same standard. Marconi, Garbelli, Visintin, Belotti, Male and Vernaglione of Italy, the Frenchmen Benedetto, Ferrer, Herbillon, Sauveur Chiocca and Dione, the German champion Hase and the Spanish leader, Ben Buker II are jostling one with another for position in the first ten. In addition, the Dutch boast two good battlers in the persons of Jo Lamers and Harko Kokmeyer and Chico Santos of Portugal is worth his salt.

Loi completely dominates the lightweight line-up and is taking on welters to keep busy. Scrabbling for the Italian title which Loi does not hold are the present champ, Padovani, and a string of newcomers, Vecchiatto, Cavalieri, Omodei.

Felix Chiocca, returned from a brief American venture, leads the French section, with Godih, Nollet, Gracia and Khalfi following at a discreet distance. Piet van Klaveren is the only Dutchman of stature but the Spaniards have three good scrappers with Fred Galiana, Jose Hernandez and Bobby Ros. German and Belgian lightweights are poor.

Despite his crushing defeat at the hands of Hogan Bassey, young Cherif Hamia remains the outstanding fighter in the feathers faction. Jean Sneyers of Beligum lost a very close decision to Hamia last season and might well turn the tables yet but Sneyers is no youngster.

A strong clique of contenders is formed by the French and Italian line-up. The French are represented by Lamperti, Poncy, Touan, Ventaja and Valignat and the Italians can put into the field such tried warriors as Polidori, Campari, Pravisani, Caprari and Sergio Milan, not to mention veteran Barbadoro, who has won his last three outings by kayo, despite his 34 years. Manolo Garcia is the tearaway Spaniard who blighted the life of Jo Ventaja recently and carries enough guns to worry any of the leading ten.

Halimi's grip on the world bantam title may not be too secure and it would be rash to say that he was the best in Europe since his defeat by Jimmy Carson. He gained the title before reaching fistic maturity, thanks to a ridiculous publicity campaign by the French press. Mario D'Agata, the deaf-mute who formerly held the title, may yet dispossess Halimi, if the latter survives the meeting with Macias.

Apart from the leaders—Halimi, D'Agata and Cardenas—the bantams are a rather patchy crowd at the moment though there are many veterans in evidence. Romero, Tartari, Cossemyns, Zuddas, Gianelli and Dante Bini among them.

The flyweights are almost as badly treated by promotors as heavyweights though certain battlers in this division can claim quite large purses. Young Martin of Spain is a worthy European champion, a combination boxer and basher. There are many youngters with respectable clouts on his trail, such as Jean Guerrard, Chris Marchand and Pollazon of France and Pozzali and Burruni of Italy. Edgar Basel of Germany will have a word to say this season in the sharing of laurels, as well as the Spanish trio—Carreno, Ogazon and Cyclone Sylva. Gerd Berkhout is the sole Dutch representative, still lacking international experience.

SITUATION WANTED!

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They want a father around the house and that's why I'm looking for something that will keep me close to home and if I have to travel it will be to my own interests.

"I am vitally interested in kids and am affiliated with Italian-American youth groups. To that I will dedicate my outside interests. But my chief aim in life has to be the promotion and development of the Marciano family."

What would Rocky like to do?

"I'd like to get into public relations. I'm doing that now, anyway. I like to speak and am learning all the time. I know newspapermen all over the country and I'd make a pretty good asset for the big companies who are even now asking for my services. What they pay me for one appearance, could be part of an annual account where I'd not only make a number of showings for them but also help in other ways.

"When I was fighting, at first I did not understand the way publicity worked. Early in my career, I didn't like the idea of posing all day for pictures and doing other things that I now know is all part of the build-up. Without the ballyhoo and publicity, I wouldn't be anything today. The business intrigues me because it has so many outlets for the imagination. It is not a dull business. There are new things all the time to keep you excited and interested. And think of it, I'd be paid for enjoying myself. That's for me."

There is no doubt that Rocky has learned a great deal since the day back in 1948 when he hitch-hiked to New York to show himself to Al Weill. He has developed poise and has become quick and witty with the tongue.

He is also a shrewd bargainer, something he may have learned from his former fistic manager. He has never forgotten, however, that without the good will of the press, he would have been just another heavyweight seeking a chance at the big money.

"Maybe Weill manages fighters better than others but all his skill as a pilot would have meant nothing without the help of the newspapermen who wrote about me. I'll be grateful to them for the rest of my life. That is why, when I go into a permanent business, I'd like to be in one where I can maintain my friendship with the press."

Classy Willie Pastrano scored one of his few kayo triumphs when he halted game but outclassed George Peyton of Houston, Texas in the eighth round of their Miami Beach bout. George, a last minute sub for Roy Harris, was overwhelmed by Willie's fast punching and cuts around both eyes when the referee wisely stopped the uneven contest.

THE RIGHT CROSS

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the magnifiers in a silver case. But it was the last time that Leach grinned that night!

Never, so he always claimed, did he take a beating he took in those ten rounds. Smith, for all of his poor sight, slipped Leachie's leads and countered with terrific right hand shots to the head. It was one fight in which Cross' famous "stalling" stunt was strictly the McCoy.

Smith had him wobbling before the first round was a minute old and kept him back on his heels for the balance of the fray. Cross met fighters far more famed than Smith in later years but never did he take the punishment he had to absorb that night. "I hate to think what he'd have done to me if he had kept on his glasses," was the way Leach used to wind up that story.

The Wallach boys all turned to the ring once Leach broke down the barrier of parental opposition. Papa Wallach was dead set against his boy fighting. Degrading it was, especially for one who had graduated from the City College of New York School of Dentistry in 1907 and could go into a fine business.

But those objections were overcome when Papa Wallach's faltering tailor shop was going into hock and Leach bailed him out with $20,000 earned in the ring. Marty, Dave and Phil all followed as professional fighters, using the name Cross. Brother Sammy, who graduated from law school, naturally became the manager.

The fight game was good to Leach and he was good for it. He grossed more than $225,000 with his fists. In 1917, after retiring from the ring the year before following a knockout at the hands of Milburn Saylor, he moved to Hollywood on the advice of his good friend Al Jolson. As Cross explained, he made the geographical change "to get away from gambling in New York." He had $46,000 in cash with him. "But," said Leach, "the gamblers took me to the cleaners ten times faster out there."

He made his comeback in 1921 and, as he was still a drawing card, was able to amass about $35,000. So back to Hollywood he went. He built an 80-unit apartment house, Cross Arms, paying cash for it. He played the stock market, he gambled. Soon he had pyramided his holdings to about $750,000.

But a few years later things started breaking wrong. He lost $80,000 in the stock market and the bulk of what he had built up was gambled away.

In 1928 Cross returned to New York with a hundred dollar bill flattened inside his right sock. He filed a petition in bankruptcy, listing liabilities of $22,388.22 and no assets.

He borrowed some money and opened a dental office at Columbus Circle, later in the Bronx and finally on East 14th Street, in New York where he practiced for many years.

Cross never got back into the big time, but he never regretted how he had fought or how he had lived.

Leachie was a good winner and a good loser—and he always gave everyone a run for his money.

THIS DAVID NEEDS NO SLINGSHOT

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In 1949, the pint-sized pugilist met Geraldine Welch. The girl was 16, and Davey two years older. The couple became sweethearts and dated steadily for three years, then married.

"Geral—that's what I call her in public," Moore explains warmly, "but in private I call her all sorts of sweet names. She's kind and gentle, a fine homemaker, a good mother to our kids and a loving wife. Can a guy expect more? Geral and I get along marvelously, watching television, listening to records or the radio. We go to the movies, to church, to dances, visit friends and go swimming or on picnics."

The couple are blessed with two beautiful children, a daughter, Denise Darcel, aged 5, and a boy Ricardo Martinez. *"I named my son after a fellow I boxed in the amateurs in 1952, with whom I became good friends,"* explains Davey.

Moore's wife works as a steno at the Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in Dayton, Ohio and has been employed there two years. *"Reason Geral is working now,"* explains the boxer, *"is—we're saving to buy a home. My mother-in-law, Rose Lee, helps us by taking care of our children.*

"I want to say a few words about my mother—she taught me right from wrong—using kindness and soft words, made me decent and honest. Whenever I fight she prays for my safety and that I should win without hurting my opponent. I believe that knowing this helps me to win—because how she feels makes me feel inspired."

The short-sized socker, who neither smokes nor drinks liquor, used to work for International Harvester—a truck manufacturing firm—for two years holding several unskilled labor jobs. Later he worked with a construction gang, operating an air-hammer.

"By the way," Davey exclaimed, *"at the age of fifteen I was a strongman—and I could lift 200 pounds."*

Moore had his first professional fight on May 11, 1953, winning a six-rounder. He followed it up by two more victories; and then scored three knockouts. In his seventh fight he tangled with the experienced Russ Tague and lost. Davey ended the year by flattening Eddie Cooper. Of ten bouts the following year he lost only to Jackie Blair—winning five by the KO route.

In 1955 the little firebrand boxed seven times, losing a "hometown decision"—so he claims to Isidro Martinez; and a few months later—in Havana—another Martinez gained a victory over him—a Cuban whose front label is Santiago. The pint-sized pug won the other four contests that year. *"The last one,"* relates Moore, *"was at Madison Square Garden, the only time I fought in New York. I won it on a disqualification in six, because Jimmy Hackney refused to come out of his shell and fight."*

Davey's first fight in 1956 took place in June, when he slaughtered a guy named Charlie Slaughter — chopping him down in four heats. Then Moore whipped Jimmy DeMura and dropped an 8-rounder to Bobby Rogers.

This year the Mighty Mite had five fights—winning them all.

Moore, who had three years of Junior High School, likes hunting rabbits, pheasant and ground hogs. Fishing is another relaxation.

NEW ORLEANS AND THE SOUTH
By Ike Morales

CROWE PEELE'S DREAMS OF MOVING UP THE HEAVYWEIGHT RING ladder were shattered, temporarily at least, when he was knocked out by the veteran Charley Norkus of Port Washington, N. Y., in one minute, 18 seconds, of the fourth round, in Municipal Auditorium.

A couple of right hand smashes to the body, followed by a wide left hook to the chin proved the undoing of Peele. Hector Knowles' heavyweight went down in a neutral corner, and was resting on one knee as the referee tolled off the numerals.

Peele, who entered the ring weighing 187 pounds to Norkus' 194½, was an 8 to 5 favorite at post-time.

A total of 5,522 fans turned out for the heavyweight fight. The gross gate was $16,424.50, the net $12,900.47.

In the four rounders, Ray Cittadano defeated Chaffie Reyna; Roger Ettienne flattened Warren Evans in two; Curt Davis scored handily over Orlando Espinosa, and Ken Gray of Shreveport, spoiled the pro debut of Eddie Dover of Houma.

▶Andrew Brown, stablemate of Charley Joseph, made an impressive showing in beating Tommy Elder of Cleveland, in the 10-round feature attraction at the Coliseum arena.

Brown, who weighed 148 pounds to Elder's 142½, was a 2-1 favorite at ringside.

In the semi-final billed for ten, Eddie Simms, New Orleans, stopped Georgie Price, Houston, in three rounds. Simms weighed 162 pounds, Price 161.

Ted Donald, New Orleans, weighing 205 pounds, got off the floor to stop Willie Lee, 176, in the second round. Cal Campbell, New Orleans, 148, stopped Ambrose Bowman, Baton Rouge, 143½, in the third.

A total of 1,108 fans who netted $1,210.08, turned out for the fight card promoted by Heard Ragas.

New Orleans' busiest headliner, Herbie Rodriguez, chalked up another victory in the Coliseum arena, but the popular welterweight had to pull the chestnuts out of the fire with a two-fisted bombardment that rocked and rolled Irish Ernie Smith into an eight-round technical knockout.

Smith, making his initial ring start here, had won six of the first seven rounds, and looked all over a winner. There was no question but that Rodriguez' only chance for victory was to stop the Pittsburgh lad. And this he did.

Rodriguez had been beaten to a pulp and at the end of the seventh round Referee Pete Giarusso informed Herbie's handlers that he would stop the fight if the local boy was unable to escape punishment in the eighth.

It was then that Rodriguez, sensing a setback, came out in do-or-die fashion, landed hooks and right crosses that had Smith reeling against the ropes. Another hook and the visitor's knees buckled. Smith was unable to fight back when the referee halted the bout in one minute, 20 seconds of the eighth.

Rodriguez, who weighed 149½ pounds to Smith's 155, entered the ring a 1 to 2 favorite. The show, promoted by Heard Ragas, netted $1,600.

Gene Hymel, Algiers middleweight, had his four-bout streak snapped by Elroy Tellez, San Antonio, in the semi-final. The bout, billed for six rounds, was stopped by Referee Lucien Jaubert in two minutes, 52 seconds of the second round after Hymel went down for an eight count in the second, and was badly battered by the Texan.

Before his fight with Tellez, who looked like a seasoned campaigner, Hymel won his four pro fights by knockouts. Hymel weighed 163, Tellez 168.

Jimmy Lane, 140, New Orleans, stopped Bobby Evans, Atlanta, 136½, in the second round. Lane dropped his opponent twice in the opening round and again in the second when the referee halted the uneven affair. Al Boudreau, 145, won a close one over Jimmy Fondren, 145, Houma, La., while Frankie Valdez, 124, decisioned Dean Plummer, 122½, in the opening four.

Herbie Rodriguez, beaten but once in 19 pro fights, added Cobey McCluskey of Nova Scotia to his string of victims in the Coliseum. Herbie stopped the 28-year-old McCluskey in 1:08 of the sixth round of a scheduled 10 rounder.

Rodriguez was entirely too over-anxious in the fifth, but he dazed and decked the guy from Halifax in the opening minute of the sixth and when Herbie battered McCluskey down again, Referee Pete Giarusso halted the bout.

Rodriguez weighed 153 to McCluskey's 152½. A noisy crowd of 1,016 paid a net $1,749.33 to sit in on the action.

In the semi-final, Bob Morgan of Algiers took a split decision over Al Boudreaux. Both weighed in at 142.

The four rounders saw John Navarro, 135, a split decision winner over Orlando Espinosa, 133½, of Nicaragua, and Jimmy Lane knocked out Cheffa Reyna in 1:37 of the fourth and final round.

▶AROUND AND ABOUT—Ralph Dupas, high-ranking lightweight title contender, wants to know what he has to do to earn a fight—for the championship or an over-the-weight fight—with Joe Brown. Dupas made this statement following his victory over Johnny Busso at Miami Beach Auditorium on Friday, Aug. 30. . . . Tony Dupas, now a full-grown middleweight, continues to show improvement and it probably won't be long before he receives headline consideration. . . . Young Dupas, 19, defeated Andy Mayfield in the eight-round semi-final to the Dupas-Busso feature. He had previously beaten Buck Wood in two rounds at Mobile. The younger Dupas has been out of ring competition for two years while serving with Uncle Sam's Navy. . . .

CANADIAN MARITIMES
By F. W. BISHOP

HALIFAX FORUM:—JERRY FRASER, 155, BRIDGEWATER, N. S. WAS STOPPED by Yvon Turenne, 156, Montreal, on a T.K.O. 3rd. Fraser was away ahead, having Turenne in trouble both in the first and second rounds. Referee Frank MacKintosh stopped it after Fraser received a deep cut over his right eye midway through the third.

Jackie Hayden, 137, New Glasgow, Maritime lightweight champion outpointed Julius Rhodes, 142, New York, in a fast moving semi-6. Ken Shea, 158, Dartmouth, N. S., making his first start as a pro, surprised with a cooly fought win over Slug Turnbull, 152, Stellarton, N. S. Shea scored two knockdowns. Leroy Sparks, 138, Halifax, outpointed young Bob Downey, 134, Halifax, N. S. in four rounds.

▶Newcastle, N. B.:—Yvon Durelle, 175, Baie St. Annes, N. B. beat Gunther Balzer (who) 177, Berlin, Germany, all over the ring before the referee stepped in and stopped it in the eighth. Busy LeRoy Jones, 135, Halifax, stopped Boston's Lou King, 132.

In a rousing brawl which featured elbows, low blows and hitting on the break, Moncton's Norm Gautreau, 144, and Bob Leadley, 155, Dartmouth veteran battled to a 6 round draw. Tiger Pyle 130, Moncton, scored a 1 rd. K.O. over Bill Hudon, 132, Newcastle, to open the card.

▶Sydney, N. S.:—Young Beau Jack, 159, Boston, created a sensation in Sydney as he K.O. top Canadian middleweight Gordie MacDougall, 161, Sydney, N. S. in three rounds. MacDougall was down in the first and again in the second for a 8 count. In the third a smashing left nailed him to the canvas for keeps.

In the semi-final 6, Blair Richardson, 155, South Bar, battled to a draw with George Bonovich, 153, billed out of Ohio. Slug Turnbull, 144, Stellarton, stopped Buddy Greer, 146, Sydney, midway through the forth rd.

▶Summerside, P.E.I.:—Aided by a huge pull in the weights and tons, more experience, Richie Howard, 140, veteran Canadian lightweight champion, scored a unanimous 10 round verdict over little Bobby Soares, 125, Boston.

Peanuts Arsenault, 143, Summerside, outpointed Buzz Urquhart, 145, Dartmouth, N. S. over 6 rounds. Bud Ramsey, 145, Summerside, veteran Maritime welter, was put away for keeps in the third by Bud Cochrane, 143, Boston in the opener.

▶Yarmouth, N. S.:—Billy Nickerson, 136, Yarmouth, made his second pro start a winning one as he outpunched tough Cape Breton veteran Benny 'Red' Randall, 137, Sydney, over 10 rounds. Only knockdown came at the bell ending the second round, scored by Nickerson.

Semi-final 6, Mickey Ross, 138, Cape Island, outpointed Bobby Leadley, 155, Dartmouth, N. S. In fours, Fred Carvery, 136, Halifax, dec. over Percy Hill, 139, Halifax. Joe Doucette, 133, won on a T.K.O. 3 over Ronnie MacNeil, 133, Sydney.

IN AND AROUND CHICAGO
By Lenny Myers

CHICAGO STADIUM—EDDIE MACHEN, 196, A RANKING CONTENDER FROM CALIFORNIA, won as he pleased from Big Bob Baker, 214, Pittsburgh, Pa., in a featured tenner at the Chicago Stadium. Machen beat Baker to the punch in each round and did all but knock him out in a nationally televised bout.

In prelims, Ernest Terrill, 189, Chicago, continued on his winning ways by scoring a fast one round kayo over Roy Griss, 178. James Beard, 175, beat Lou Bailey, 171, in four rounds. Sonny Ray, 175, stopped Jesse Bowdry, 172, in the 2nd heat. Amos Lincoln, 191, beat Marty Marshall, 185, in eight tough rounds. Alonzo Johnson, 185, beat Neil Welch, 208, in a six round event.

▶Willie Vaughn, 161, of Los Angeles, stopped Chebo Hernandez, 159, of Mexico, in the seventh round of a featured ten spot at Chicago Stadium. The bout was a nationally televised presentation.

Ernie Smith, 160, beat Clarence Harbin, 156, in a four round bout. Lee Moore, 205, defeated Le Roy Dues, 197, in four rounds. Walcott James, 163, stopped Harry Campbell, 157, in the opening round. Chuck Atkins, 139, defeated Kid Chocolate, 142, in six fast rounds.

▶Elsworth (Spider) Webb, 157, Chicago's contender for middleweight honors took a ten round decision over Charley Josephs, 158, New Orleans, avenging a previous defeat.

In the undercard, Andy Brown, 150, defeated LeRoy Allen, 146, in four heats. Don Alderson, 145, beat Jerry Mortell, 143, in a fast six round affair. Don Ward, 136, beat Chuck Atkins, 137, in another six spot. Tommy Roberts, 137, won over Louis Carr, 138, in six hard rounds.

BOXING IN CURACAO
By L. Kosiman

A RECORD-BREAKING CROWD OF 2000 FANS PAID $5000 to watch Battling Siki, the Arubian middleweight sensation, score an unpopular ten-round decision over Wim Snoek, Dutch light-heavyweight champion.

In the eight-round semi-final, making a great come-back, Little Dynamite, 160, scored a T.K.O. over Big Tocco, 156, in the final round after a gruesome battle.

Jimmy Carter, 140, decisioned Kid Orecencio, 142, in six. This boy Carter is one of the best in his class. It's time for him to fight eight rounds.

All four rounders, Kid Gavilan, Jr., won over Muchacho Matanza. Little Louis decisioned Baby Williams. Jack Johnson and Jimmy Boy fought a draw.

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JUAREZ BOXING
By Manuel Prieto

JUAREZ BULL RING—PANCHITO GONZALEZ, 120, JUAREZ, stopped Jorge "Pulga" Herrera, 116½, Guadalajara, in the sixth round. Herrera was in front, but in the sixth he ran into a left hook to the jaw. When the third man in the ring reached ten, Herrera jumped from the floor, but a little too late. He put on an act, but he lost by a K.O.

Henry Gutierrez, 136, Deming, N. M., won over Marcelino Vargas, 133, El Paso, in six torrid rounds.

In the fours, Sal Fierro, 127, Juarez, won by K.O. in the third over Manuel Segovia, 129, Juarez. Benny Moreno, 128, Juarez, won by K.O. in the second over Kid Manzano, 127, Juarez. Pedro Perez, 140, Juarez, won by K.O. over Johnny Moreno, 139, Torreon, in the second.

▶JUAREZ BULL RING—Alfredo Nevarez, 132½, Juarez, showing the best form of his career, beat Orlando Zulueta, 134, Havana, Cuba, in a good scrap.

Both displayed speed, and at the end of the fight more than 8,000 fans gave the boys a great ovation.

The lightning left jab of the Cuban flash could not find its target. The Juarez boy was too fast and too smart for the cuban. The left hand of Nevarez, some times as a jab and others as a hook was a problem that the experienced Zulueta could not solve.

Jack Flores, 146, El Paso, suffered a setback losing to Joe Dominguez, 149, Juarez, in six rounds.

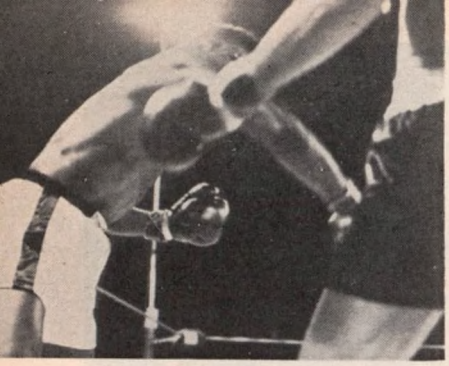
In the fours, Luis Sanchez, 126, Chihuahua City, scored a K.O. over Juan Zavala, 126, Juarez, in the second round. Juan Valles, 136, Juarez, made a successful pro debut winning over Rogelio Cortes, 131, Juarez. Bobby Garcia, 136, El Paso, won by a T.K.O. over Eduardo Esparza, 131, Juarez, in the fourth. Pete Ruiz, 139½, El Paso, won over Pedro Perez, 139, Juarez.

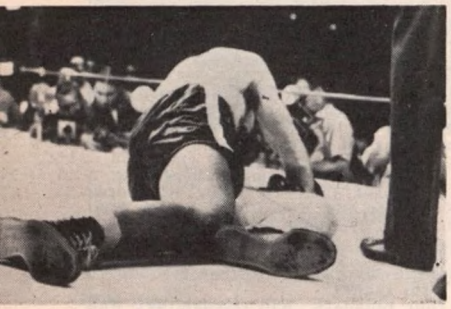
▶MONUMENTAL BULL RING — Raul "Raton" Macias, 121, Mexico City, had an easy time with Panchito Gonzalez, 121, Juarez, winning by K.O. in the fifth round.

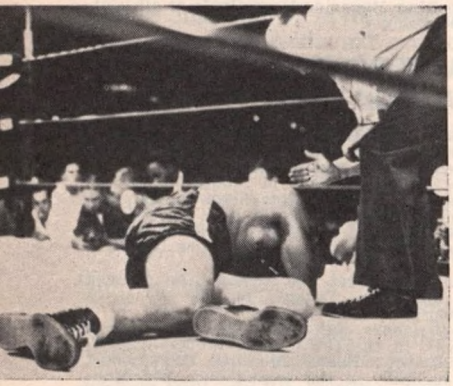
Macias, ready to fight Alphonse Halimi for the World's Bantamweight Championship, took this one as a tune-up fight, drawing a terrific crowd of 12,000 fans.

Roberto "Perro" Hernandez, 123, Chihuahua City, scored a K.O. in the third over Baby Rodriguez, 127, Juarez, due to a cut over the loser's eye.

In the fours, Memo Leanos, 126, Torreon, won by K.O. over Juan Herrera, 119½, Juarez, in the four. Cosme Rodriguez, 124, Juarez, won decision over Tony Cortes, 123, Juarez. Mario Rodriguez, 137, Juarez, won by K.O. in the 3rd. over Toro Rivas, 136, Juarez.







FAREWELL PETE

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But his hopes, his dream of becoming the first amateur to win the world crown in his professional debut, soon were shattered. They went up in smoke as the defending champion with thudding blows, piled up seven knockdowns to end the fantastic mis-match in 2.57 of the sixth round.

The impetuous, audacious challenger got his feel he longed for—and what a feel it was! An unforgettable one!

That the bout lasted as long as it did, was due to Referee Tommy Loughran's insistance that it must end in a knockout. His wish, like that of the amateur king, was granted when he tolled off hesitatingly, as in all other of his knockdown counts, the doleful ten following a powerful right to the jaw.

Tommy saw Peter helpless on the canvas, on his knees, one hand on the floor the other at his side and head hanging low, as the fight ended with Rademacher's chief second yelling from his corner to Loughran: "That's enough! That's enough!"

ONE BIG THRILL OF FIGHT CAME IN SECOND ROUND

In the thrilling second round, the fans, mostly Peter's supporters, let loose frenzied shouts as the 50 to 1 shot, the longest in ring heavyweight history, decked Patterson. But at no time thereafter, did anyone but Rademacher's staunch supporters think that the rippling muscled champion would lose his throne. Big Pete, with height, weight and reach well in his favor, was henceforth destined to become the sitting duck for his more experienced foe. Pete's audacious assault in the second round won for him the high accolade in every story sent from the ball park.

Despite the unmerciful shellacking he took in the three rounds following the knockdown, Rademacher kept rising unsteadily on his quivering legs six times to assimilate more punishment. Then came the final fall and his Cinderella dream, his flight to the moon, ended with the kayo.

But for all our pre-fight scoffing, our pleas to prevent what at all times appeared a fantastic, ill-advised promotion that might end in a fatality, the challenger could hold his head up high, firm in the knowledge that as a bold, courageous amateur, he dominated for two rounds and almost finished the sixth frame. Pete accomplished the unbelievable in the first and second rounds.

As I sat with him and his charming wife at the breakfast table the following morning, Pete remarked:

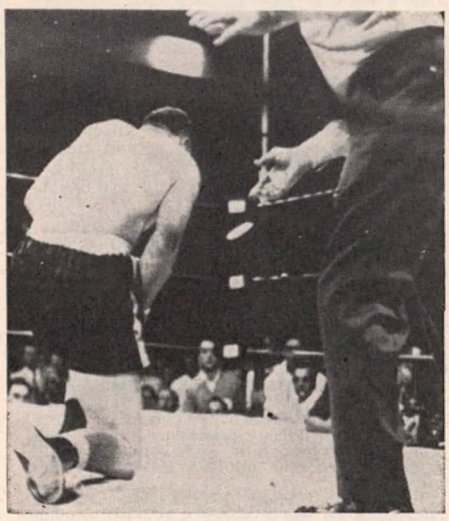
"Well, Nat, you had your say and perhaps you were right. But as the one who conceived the idea and speaking as my own manager, I can say that I enjoyed the idea from its infancy, through its complete promotion and even to its termination. I have no regrets. There's nothing like starting from the top and working one's way down, should I continue to box," he laughed.

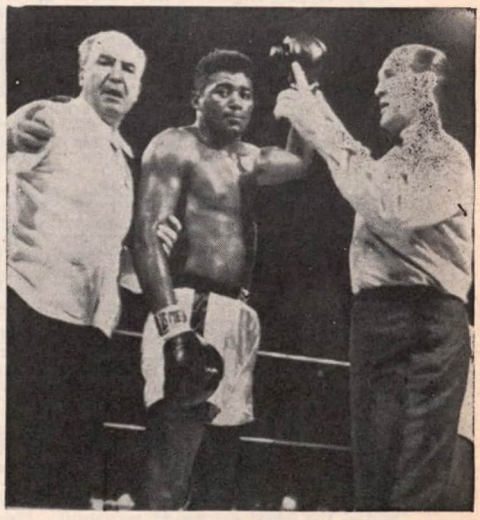
LOUGHRAN'S LACK OF EXPERIENCE WAS NO HELP

Three times before the knockout, Loughran's hesitancy in continuing to count after '9' was reached, saved Rademacher from an earlier kayo. Tommy also was uncertain about Rademacher's knockdown of Floyd, which he called a slip until corrected by ringside reporters and Patterson, who told the referee he definitely had been knocked down.

It wasn't a great fight.

But the affair had its exciting moments and it served its purpose. It proved beyond doubt what had been





To the left, from top to bottom, we have a sequence of five candid camera shots, in which are traced the effects of an assault which Patterson started with a terrific right in the fifth round. Down went Pete again. He toppled, he sprawled, he struggled desperately, he was through. In the two shots above we see Referee Tommy Loughran counting over Pete for the last time, and then Tommy hailing Patterson as the victor.

preached so often, that an amateur, though prince of his class, is not a suitable opponent for the king of the professional division. It taught Peter that there is a vast expanse between the amateur and the professional.

The tide turned for him in the middle of the third round when Peter was dropped for the first time with a right to the jaw.

From that round to the end, it was a pitiful attempt of the big, brawny, audacious challenger to make good his boast that not only was he fit for such a contest, but that he was Patterson's master. In the end, exhaustion as much as the walloping he took, put the finish to his wild dream.

Two right hooks made his knees buckle as the third round got under way. As Patterson walked away nonchalantly, one could hear ringside comments, "he's carrying Pete for the pictures."

But that wasn't so. Floyd swung about when Rademacher came in close and crashed a right—his favorite punch in the fight—to Pete's head for his first down.

The rash, impetuous challenger who walked off a Yakima Valley farm owned by his dad, to face adventure rivalling the story book tales of Frank Merriwell, undaunted by the unanimity of expert opinion he was an unsuitable opponent for Floyd, didn't know what struck him as he landed on the floor.

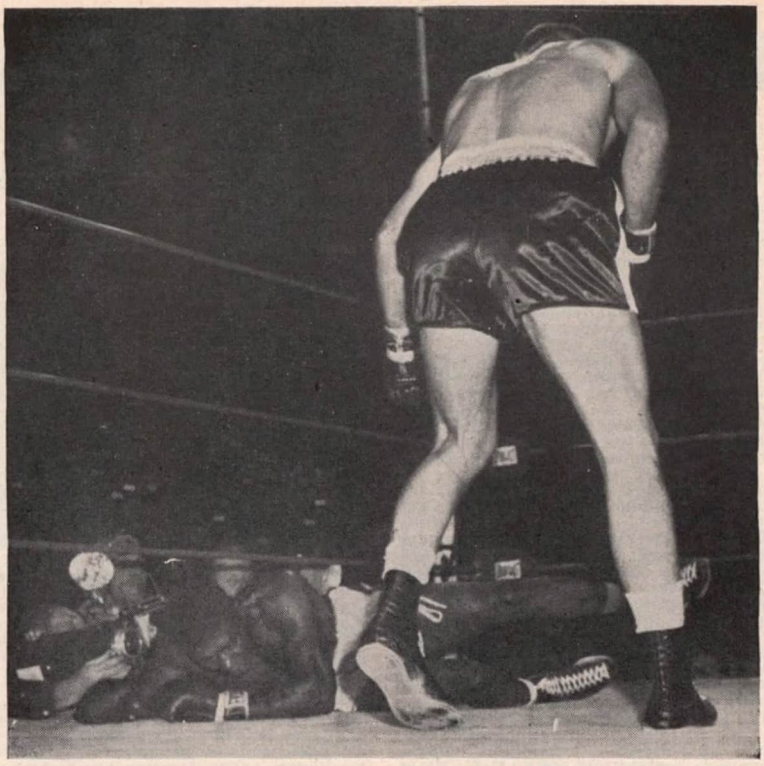
Peter rallied for a few seconds in the fourth. He landed one good right to the side of Floyd's head, but Patterson quickly recovered from the shock and was in full command again. Patterson took that round but not by as big a margin as his others.

Next came his greatest performance —the knockdown of Rademacher four times in the fifth round. Whatever doubts Peter's friends had about Floyd's superiority, were now definately shattered. Patterson was lashing out like a cobra against the fast fading amateur. He belted him for counts of 5, 7 and, twice, for 9.

Three times Rademacher rose unsteady but Tommy waved both men into action and the fourth knockdown followed. The bell saved Pete from further punishment, but only until the next session got under way.

That started slowly with Patterson giving Loughran an appealing look as he walked out to finish the job. He seemed to show pity for the man who thought he'd relieve the champ of his crown.

They sparred, then out flashed Floyd's right and the weary Rademacher hit the boards with a thud. He was so exhausted one couldn't conceive how he could take any more but he got up and was downed again and this time was counted out.



The Highlight of the Fight! Patterson is down! Rademacher has astonished, surprised and upset the champion of the world in the second round with a right cross. There is no doubt that Patterson is on the canvas. But for a time referee Loughran labored under the odd impression that Floyd merely had slipped.

On the right is Mrs. Peter Rademacher, smiling and confident, as she sits with Mrs. Mike Jennings, president of Youth Unlimited, Inc., before the Patterson-Rademacher fight in Sick Stadium, Seattle.

The opening bell has yet to sound. The champion's mom and wife sit at the ringside. On the right, Sandra, who is Mrs. Floyd; on the left Mrs. Annabelle, his mother.

NEWS OF THE BRITISH ISLES

By JOHNNY SHARPE

WEST HARTLEPOOL . . . The rest of the programme on the Manuel Burgo-Albert Finch, when the latter was counted out in the second round, and found another North East challenger in the British heavyweight division:—George Bowes, West Hartlepool, 116, is well on his way to top-billing by the way he defeated Billy Rafferty, Glasgow, 118, on points over six rounds. Yes: George Bowes, has the earmarks of a future "Ring Star" . . . Jimmy Teesdale, Middlesborough, 173½, stopped Colin Yandell, Swindon, 188½, in the third. Jack Richards, Middlesborough, 125, and Bobby Coote, Glasgow, 128, boxed a draw in six . . . Johnny Bamborough, West Hartlepool, 132, outpointed Joe Ritchie, Newcastle, 132, in six.

▶BUXTON . . . Gerry Parker, Beeston, 114½, defeated Eric Lord, Bacup, 115, in the second round when the latter was saved from taking unnecessary punishment . . . Barry Adgien Derby, 112, stopped Bobby Davies, Lancaster, 115, in the fifth . . . Johnny Plenty, Bristol, 160, outpointed Don Jarvis, Nottingham, 153, in six . . . Fred Wingfield, Nottingham, 116, and Lew Devro, Liverpool, 120, battled six hectic rounds with Wingfield being declared the winner. The crowd showed their appreciation by spraying the ring with Coin of The Realm . . . Hogan Bassey, Worlds' featherweight champion, boxed three rounds exhibition with Eric Brett, Retford, that pleased the crowd.

▶LIVERPOOL . . . Pat McAteer, British middleweight champion, 160½, was fully extended to win over Leen Jansen, Holland, 160½. The latter was making up ground and wiping out the early lead that "Patmac" had taken, but a badly cut eye forced referee Frank Wilson of Glasgow, to call a halt in the eighth round and declare the British champion the winner. The crowd did not take kindly to this decision, but it was afterwards observed that the referee had acted quite correctly in intervening, for Jansen's eye was in bad shape . . . Dick Tiger, Nigeria, 164¼, gained a points win over Alan Dean, Birkenhead, 157, in a hard hitting eight round battle, making the score 3-2 in favour of Tiger . . . Tommy Keeley, Birkenhead, 149½, won narrowly over Eddie Bee, Cardiff, 149, in six. Maurice Daniels, Cardiff, 129, won his professional debut, with a points win over Tonny Russell, Leeds, 131, in four . . . Al Partington, Wigan, 137, gained a deserving points win over Tommy Weston, Preston, 135, in four.

▶PORTHCAWL . . . Frank Jones, of Plean, in Scotland, was crowned British & Empire flyweight champion when he scored a knockout over Len (Luggie) Reece of Wales, in the eleventh round. At the weigh-in, Jones scaled 110, and Reece, 111¼. The Champion is 24 years of age and by trade "a Miner" and although boxing for over 10 years as an amateur he has only eleven professional bouts. Jones is built on sturdy lines and sheer ability to absorb punishment with an abundance of stamina, and it with these assets that enabled him to outstay the promising young Welshman. Early in the contest Reece took the lead with a snappy left lead, scoring well on the tough Scot, who was put down for nine . . . With victory in sight Reece put all he had in trying to end the affray, but he did not reckon with the ability of Jones to withstand the hard going, who in the later rounds began his own methods of attack that brought results, for he was by far the stronger as the bout progressed. The Scot put on the pressure after the sixth and was fast overhauling the tiring Welshman, and in the eleventh, a fusilade of blows to the head and body with a solid left hook for full measure put Reece on the canvas. At six he tried to raise himself, but his legs could not carry him, and he sank head first flat on the canvas, while the full count was tolled over him. Over the full championship course, Jones will take some beating, but don't write off the young Welshman, Len Reece, for with more experience and knowledge to pace a contest, he will again be in there with a chance to win a National Title. . . . It took Dick Richardson, Newport, 195½, four rounds to dispose of the German heavyweight, Hans Kalbfell, 200, . . . After taking all that Richardson had thrown at him, the German was forced to retire at the end of the fourth with a badly cut eye. . . . Ron (Ponty) Davies, Cardiff, 114, forced Frankie Spencer, Wolverhampton, 112¼, to call it a day in the fifth round after he had received a badly cut eye, up to the time of the closure, these two little gladiators had put up a hectic battle for supremacy. . . . George Aldridge, Market Harborough, 163½, knocked out Danny Wall, Wembley, 173½, in the second round. . . . Johnny Cole, Bow, 169, was forced to bring out all he knew to maintain his unbeaten certificate, and obtain a points decision over Don Sainsbury, Penarth, 170½, in eight. . . . George Carroll, Covent Garden, 124½, and David Croll, Dundee, 126¾, fought a draw in six. . . . Phil Jones, Cardiff, 117½, stopped Ken Morgan, Millwall, 117¾, in the second.

▶POOLE . . . Peter Waterman, Clapham, 149½, British lightweight champion, received a couple of shocks from the Frenchman, Michel Francois, 150, before he stepped on the gas to do some of the aggressive fighting himself . . . after an even first round Waterman was surprised by a lightning one-two that had him all at sea, but he weathered the storm and then went to town. Towards the end of the third round, the Frenchman received a badly cut eye which on inspection during the interval, forced referee Dick Burt to call a halt in favour of Waterman. . . . Abe Stanley, Poole, 174½, stopped Len Mullen, Glasgow, 170¼, in the fifth of a hectic He-man battle. . . . Gordon Goodman, Christchurch, 143½, was declared the winner over George Whelan, Chiswick, 146¼, during the fifth round, when the latter was forced to retire with a badly cut eye. Up to the time of the closure, the bout was fought on even lines. . . . Peter Smith, Huddersfield, 146½, outpointed Ron Garnett, Earlsfield, 147¾, in a hard fought eight rounder. . . . Terry Gill, West Ham, 150½, outpointed Johnny Melfah, Ghana, 147½, in six.

▶WEST HARTLEPOOL . . . BRIAN LONDON, Blackpool, 197½, in his bout with Kitione Lave, Tonga, 197, proved beyond all doubt, that Great Britain has a future contender for the highest honours in the pugilistic field, viz:—the world's heavyweight title. Of course I will be reminded that a fellow by the name of Henry Cooper stopped young Brian in one round. My reply to that, do you remember early in 1917, a youngster by the name of JACK DEMPSEY was knocked out by Fireman Jim Flynn, in one round. This did not deter Dempsey from going on to win the coveted title, for Jack had the guts and the ability to learn in his chosen profession. I am of the opinion that Brian London has the same qualities that young Jack Dempsey had in those days. Time will tell.

In his contest with Kitione Lave, young Brian London met a fighter from the word go, and this brought out the boxing knowledge that one could see had been installed in the boxing brain of Brian London.

For eight rounds London outpointed and outsmarted the heavy hitting and swinging Tongan, and when Lave had done his best to swipe London from the ring, the latter came back and did some smart two-handed punching on his own. The decision at the end of the tenth round was a foregone conclusion, and one of the largest crowds in the North-East of England rose as one to give Brian London a great ovation for the way he had outboxed and outgeneralled Kitione Lave. . . . Boswell St. Louis, Trinidad, 145¼, defeated Jean Hoeffler (Belgium), 147½, in the fifth round, when the latter was ruled out for persistent holding. . . . Jack London, Blackpool, 173¾, was declared the winner over Ted Williams, Huddersfield, 179¼, in the fifth, after the latter had used his head as a battering ram. As using of the head in this manner is NOT in the rules, the referee sent Williams to his corner, DISQUALIFIED. . . . Johnny Bamborough, West Hartlepool, 135, stopped Ted Arthur, Belfast, 135½, in the second. . . . Pat Glancy, Glasgow, 113¾, outpointed Pancho Bhatachaji, India, 113½, in a thrilling six. . . . There was a third disqualification on the card when Ken Brady, Worksop, was ruled out for alleged butting against Alan Hands, West Hartlepool, in the fourth round of a heavyweight bout.

▶SOUTHAMPTON . . . Peter Waterman, 148½, scored his second win in nine days, his opponent Mick Moos, Holland, 148, lasted two rounds in which he took considerable punishment before referee Bill Williams called a halt in the second round. Waterman got off the mark early in the first round with hooks to the head and body, that soon had the Dutchman in difficulties. . . . Terry Spinks, West Ham, 114, scored his third win over Gerry Parker, Beeston, 114, with a clear points lead in six. . . . Ron Garnett, Earlsfield, 147½, and Johnny Melfah, Ghana, 148½, fought a hard eight to a draw. . . . Billy Goodwin, Lambeth, 136½, made a victorious entry into the paid ranks with a points win over Joey Le Grange, South Africa, 132, in six. . . . Johnny Fitzpatrick, Sheffield, 124½, gained a points win over Tommy Slayford, London, 120½, in six.

▶GLASGOW . . . Willie Toweel, South Africa, British Empire lightweight champion, was too clever for Billy Kelly, Derry, in their ten round contest. The South African went off to a early start and by the end of the sixth had a commanding lead. Kelly fought desperately to overcome this but Toweel always seemed to have something in hand. The decision was not well received by the packed Kelvin Hall fans when referee raised Toweel's hand. This was uncalled for, as the South African was the clearest of winners. . . . John "Spike" McCormack,

BRITISH EMPIRE RATINGS

(to September 21, 1957)

HEAVYWEIGHTS	CRUISERWEIGHTS	MIDDLEWEIGHTS	WELTERWEIGHTS
1. Joe Erskine (W)	Yolande Pompey (T)	Pat McAteer (E)	George Barnes (A)
2. Joe Bygraves (J)	Yvon Durelle (C)	Yama Bahama (B)	Attu Clottey (G)
3. Brian London (E)	Johnny Halafini (To)	Martin Hansen (E)	Peter Waterman (E)
4. Kitione Lave (To)	Randy Turpin (E)	Clive Stewart (A)	Boswell St. Louis (T)
5. Dick Richardson (W)	Johnny Sullivan (E)	Barry Brown (NZ)	Evie Vorster (SA)
6. Henry Cooper (E)	Mike Holt (SA)	Wilf Greaves (C)	Sandy Manuel (N)
7. Manuel Burgo (E)	Sammy Langford (N)	Phil Edwards (W)	Gerald Gray (J)
8. Tom Hini (F)	Arthur Howard (E)	Freddie Cross (W)	Al Brown (BG)
9. Ewart Potgieter (SA)	Tommy du Preez (SA)	Les Allen (E)	Hector Constance (T)
10. Peter Bates (E)	Gordon Wallace (C)	Dick Tiger (N)	Tommy Molloy (E)

LIGHTSWEIGHTS	FEATHERWEIGHTS	BANTAMWEIGHTS	FLYWEIGHTS
1. Willie Toweel (SA)	Hogan Bassey (N)	Peter Keenan (S)	Frankie Jones (S)
2. Dave Charnley (E)	Pete Kawala (C)	Jimmy Carson (I)	Len Reece (W)
3. Richie Howard (C)	Jimmy Brown (I)	John Smillie (S)	Terry Spinks (E)
4. Max Carlos (A)	Percy Lewis (T)	George Dormer (E)	Malcolm McLeod (E)
5. Paddy Graham (I)	Elijah Mokone (SA)	Dick White (A)	Warner Batchelor (A)
6. Russell Sands (A)	Ayree Jackson (G)	Chic Brogan (S)	Bindi Jack (A)
7. Ron Hinson (E)	Charley Hill (S)	Pat Supple (C)	Lloyd Gordon (C)
8. George Bracken (A)	Roy Jacobs (N)	Freddie Gilroy (I)	Dennis Adams (SA)
9. Billy Kelly (I)	Kimpo Amarfio (G)	Graham v. d. Walt (SA)	Peter Elston (A)
10. Sammy Bonnici (M)	Bobby Sinn (A)	Sexton Mabena (SA)	George Bowes (E)

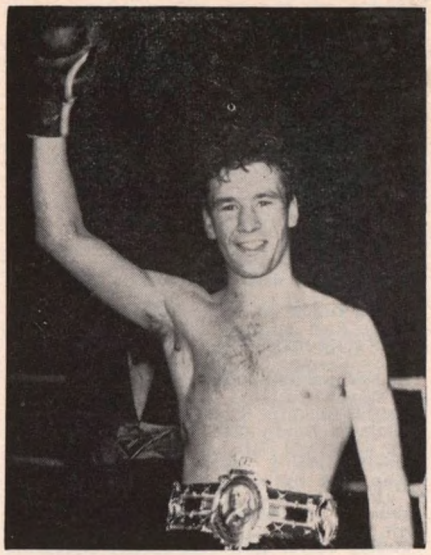
LEGEND—(A) Australia; (B) Bahamas; (BE) Bermuda; (BG) British Guiana; (BH) British Honduras; (C) Canada; (E) England; (F) Fiji Islands; (G) Ghana; (GC) Gold Coast; (I) Ireland; (J) Jamaica; (M) Malta; (N) Nigeria; (NZ) New Zealand; (S) Scotland; (SA) South Africa; (T) Trinidad; (TO) Tonga; (W) Wales.

Glasgow, 156, scored his eighth professional win at the expense of Eddie Lennon, Dublin, 162, the latter was no match for the up and coming Scot, and it was no surprise when Lennon retired at the end of the second round. . . . Evie Vorster, South African welterweight champion, has taken on quite a lot of weight since he arrived in Great Britain. He scaled 162 for his bout with John Woolard, Glasgow, 161¾, and it appeared that he has grown stronger and has found more strength in his right hand, for with the first punch with that mitt he put the tough Scot on the deck for a count of nine, following with another that made Woolard take another count of eight. From then on he was a punching bag, and after 2 mins. 43 secs. of the first round the referee called a halt in Vorster's favour. . . . Chic Brogan, Glasgow, Scottish bantamweight champion, enhanced his reputation with a four round win over Tanny Campo, Philippines. The latter was forced to retire at the end of the round with a badly cut eye. . . . John Morrissey, Carfin, 118½, made a good start in his professional debut, with a four round win over Benny Vaun, Belfast, 120, and during that time, the Irish lad had taken six counts. . . . Owen Reilly, Glasgow, 124¾, another former amateur champion, successfully opened his professional career with a convincing points win over Len Harvey, Cardiff, 127, in six.

▶ LIVERPOOL . . . "House Full" signs were posted outside "THE STADIUM" when Johnny Best matched the two Molloy's over ten rounds. Tommy of Liverpool, 145¼, and Leo of Birkenhead, 145¼, have a large following and they were there in full war cry to urge their respective favorites who were meeting for a sidestake of £400 ($1,120). Tommy of Liverpool kept his unbeaten certificate in twenty-seven contests, and the points win over Leo of Birkenhead was so convincing that his followers are now clamoring for a title match with Peter Waterman. Percy James, Southport, 129½, gained a close points decision over Alf Cottam, Preston, 130½, in a spirited six rounder. . . . Martin McDonagh, Dublin, 120, outpointed Gerry Jones, Wigan, 120, in six. . . . Don Martin, Formby, 145, stopped Willie Smith, Manchester, 143, in the second. . . . George Mason, Bootle, 128, making his professional debut, scored a very good win by stopping Johnny Kilburn, Leeds, 130½, in the first. . . . Alf Partington, Wigan, 136, outpointed Billy Anderson, Bootle, 135, in four.

▶ CROSS KEYS, MONMOUTHSHIRE . . . Phil Edwards, Cardiff, was awarded a points decision over Freddie Cross, Nuneaton, at the end of twelve rounds for the middleweight championship of Wales. The crowd were disappointed in no light hearted manner when referee Joe Morgan raised Edwards' hand as the winner. A near riot broke out, and it took some time to obtain order. In all fairness to all concerned, it was Edwards who was the aggressor although Cross was the cleverer, and in the latter half of the bout Edwards chased his opponent round the ring with his hooks and swings. In the last round Cross was a very tired man, and it was only the referee who kept scores of every round could name the winner, but it must have been by the narrowest of margins. . . . A return match is a must, and it is a sure winner for any Welsh promoter who succeeds in signing both Edwards and Cross for a return contest. . . . Teddy Best, Cardiff, won the vacant Welsh lightweight title when he stopped Bryn Phillips, Fishguard, in the ninth round. . . . Ayree Jackson, Ghana, stopped Denny Dawson, Sheffield, in the fourth round of a featherweight contest by sheer aggressiveness that had Dawson all at sea. The latter retired at the end of the fourth, claiming that he had injured his hand. . . . Gordon Blakey, Cardiff, is a featherweight that will bear watching, if his professional debut is any criterion, for he forced the referee to intervene in the fourth round to save his opponent, Sammy Cosgrove, Belfast, unnecessary punishment. . . . Ron Elvin, Cardiff, stopped Harry Hunter, Belfast, in the fourth of a flyweight contest. . . . David "Darkie" Hughes, Cardiff, stopped Arty McGill, Belfast, in the second of a lightweight contest. . . . Eddie Bee, Trinidad, knocked out Teddy Barrow, Swansea, in the fourth of a welterweight bout. . . . Redvers Sangoe, Cardiff, outpointed Johnny Williamson, Gloucester, in a hard bout over eight rounds, these two cruiserweights served up a real ding dong battle.

▶ PAISLEY, SCOTLAND. . . . Peter Keenan, Glasgow, British and Empire bantamweight champion, showed some of his old brilliance in mastering the southpaw opposition of Rudy Edwards, British Guiana, in eight. . . . Charlie Hill, Glasgow, the British featherweight champion, had to work hard to outpoint Alf Drew, Hackney, in eight. . . . Bobby Neill, Scottish featherweight champion, met a fighter after his own heart in Arthur Donnachie, the Greenock lightweight, and for five rounds both gave and asked for no quarter. Neill was the unlucky one for in the fifth round he suffered a cut above and under his right eye which forced his seconds to call it a day at the end of the fifth. . . . If losing this bout was not enough for the popular Bobby Neill, he had to have a car accident the next day which put his Dad and brother in the hospital. Bobby came out the worst of the deal for he suffered injuries that will in the future forbid him taking part in any boxing. So ends the career of one of our most promising young featherweights. TOUGH LUCK "BOBBY", get well soon. . . . Willie Armstrong, Port Glasgow, gained a narrow points win over Albert Finch, Croydon, in a eight round cruiserweight bout. . . . It was quite a sensational start for Johnny Kidd, Aberdeen, in his first professional appearance, for Don Flack, Bermondsey, proved no match for the former amateur who in his last non-pay bout, stopped the world's amateur champion, Dick McTaggart, in one round. Referee Jake Kilrain stopped the one-sided bout towards the end of the first round. . . . Kidd is one that will soon be boxing among the top notchers, for he has everything that makes a successful professional pugilist.



British welterweight Peter Waterman scored his second win in nine days when he disposed of Mick Moos of Holland in less than two rounds at Southampton.

▶ CANNING TOWN . . . Terry Spinks, West Ham, Olympic Games Gold Medalist for the 112 division, gave a polished performance when he stopped George McDade, Glasgow, in the third round. A badly cut eye forced the referee to stop the bout in Spinks favor. . . . Billy Rafferty, Glasgow, former amateur champion, clearly outpointed Ron Jones, West Ham, in a thrilling six round bantamweight contest. Ron Redrup, the West Ham cruiserweight, gained his revenge over Bill Dean, Greenwich, winning clearly on points in six. . . . Terry Gill, West Ham, was declared the winner over Gerry McStravick, Belfast, when the latter was ruled out in the third round for persistent holding.

RING NEWS FROM SUNNY AUSTRALIA

By Ray Mitchell

SYDNEY STADIUM CLOSED ITS DOORS HALF AN HOUR BEFORE the first prelim when GEORGE BARNES, Australian and Empire welter champ, defended his Empire laurels against African ATTU CLOTTEY. By the time the main bout went on, over 3,000 fans were outside trying to get in. They had no chance; the old barn had a full quota—walls were fairly bulging with over 14,000 fans.

It was a grudge fight, as well as a title tilt and the champion came through a winner on points. The only real sensation occurred in the second round when Clottey dropped Barnes to his pants. George shook his head, smiled and took his time in regaining his feet. He was clear and proceeded to show Clottey that the punch had not dimmed his wits by taking the fight to the African.

The last round—the 15th—was fought toe to toe all through the three minutes and the cheers which rent the air when the decision was announced were deafening. Clottey has one consolation: he is one of three men to knock Barnes off his pins and George won two of those fights.

▶ The best fight seen at Sydney Stadium for a long time was between RUSSELL SANDS, lightweight youngest brother of the late Dave, and Texan-Mexican, RAY RIOJAS. It will be remembered that Riojas knocked out our lightweight champion, George Bracken, in four rounds in his Australian debut a month previously. Hence, Russell was outsider at 4-1. But Russell fought the greatest fight of his career and came through with a well-earned points victory.

Russell outboxed Riojas, outstayed him and even outfought him at times. At 20 years of age, Russell is now mature and his past defeats have to be forgotten. He is older and is in better condition now.

There was one knockdown: Russell hit the deck in round five, but he got up and boxed his way out of trouble. The contest had the crowd on its feet throughout, the eighth round being the best round seen at the Stadium for many moons.

▶ BRUNO VISINTIN was Riojas' next opponent. They met in Melbourne and Riojas built up his weight to a welter, as Visintin is a full-blown welter. The extra weight hindered Riojas, rather than helped him and Visintin ran out a points winner.

▶ DICK WHITE, number one contender for Kevin James' Australian bantam title, notched up his tenth K.O. win in a row when he stopped WARNER BATCHELOR in seven rounds at Brisbane. White was defending his Queensland State title. Batchelor, a natural flyweight, built up for the fight but was not strong enough, although he put up a grand fight.

▶ STAN HAYWARD, country lad, won the N.S.W. State lightweight title by knocking out holder, MAX SIMPSON, in ten rounds at Lismore. Stan will prove a handful for any lightweight outside Sands, Carlos and Bracken.

▶ JIMMY NEWMAN, who was outpointed by Visintin recently, had his second Australian outing in Melbourne against Frenchman, SAUVEUR CHIOCCA. On the strength of Chiocca's record, the Frenchman was installed favourite, but the Englishman won very comfortably on points.

▶ Chiocca had his second outing, also at Melbourne, against HARRY GROGAN, number two Australian welter. Harry suffered an eye cut in the eleventh and the bout was stopped. Chiocca held a points lead at the time. Grogan found the Frenchman's defense hard to penetrate with his bombs.

▶ Australian middleweight champion, BILLY McDONNELL was given a draw against American, ROCKY CABALLERO at Melbourne Stadium and the decision was unpopular. Almost everyone thought McDonnell won it. They met in a return at the same stadium and Billy got it on points. He had to survive a torrid ninth round, when he twice hit the deck, but he was too clever for the wild Caballero, who was cautioned many times for illegal work.

▶ GEORGE FLEMMING stopped BILL LAWRENCE in eleven at Brisbane. Flemming, at 129, was overweight and Lawrence, at 124, claimed the money forfeit. Flemming was too big and too strong for the Scot-turned-Australian and the ref stopped it in the eleventh.

▶ BOB MURDOCH, a rising, unbeaten light-heavy, was paired with Harry Castles at Sydney Stadium, but Harry got the flu and the fight was cancelled on the day it should have taken place. Manager of the stadium, Harry Miller, promoted a prelim boy, HELLI ECKER, thus giving the lad a chance for which many fighters would have begged. But Murdoch was too good. Two round K.O. win to the Cessnock Coalminer. Ecker, the loser, also is a coalminer, but he comes from Wollongong.

▶ Unbeaten welter, KEN EVEANS, knocked out BILL RILEY with a solitary right in the ninth round at Brisbane Stadium. Up to then, Eveans was in front.

▶ PETER BOTHE, another unbeaten fighter, had the hardest battle of his career at Wollongong when he tangled with veteran Canadian, GEORGE ROCKABYE ROSS. Peter won it on points, but he was hard-pushed in the best fight seen at Wollongong in a long time. Ross has fought Randy Turpin and other top-liners, while Bothe has had but eleven pro fights.

▶ LES HARRISON outpointed ALF O'SULLIVAN over 12 at Melbourne.

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British and Empire titles by outpointing Martin Hansen, 15.

South American and Argentina champion Andres Selpa kayoed Angel Bello, 10, and Juan Oviedo, 4. Tito Yanni kayoed Oscar Schiavelli, 7. Australian champion Billy McDonnell decisioned Rocky Caballero, 12.

Peter Muller whipped Michel Diouf, 10. Gino Rossi won from Angelo Brisci, 10. Sugar Boy Nando stopped Hugh Serville, 5. Bobby Gordon beat Wilf Greaves, 10. Vicente Echeverria won over Albert Duscha, 8. Fernando Spallotta stopped Raul Tovar, 10. Jim Hegerle halted Dick Lane, 9.

Oscar Rojas won over Ramon Esquivel, 10. Clive Stewart outpointed Billy Hester, 12. Norberto Barrera drew with Santiago Mezza, 10. Nick Kovac beat Mario Nini, 6. Victor Zalazar kayoed Luis Toledo, 9.

Ray Simons stopped Cyclone Riley, 4. Giancarlo Brusa whipped Herbert Sowa, 8. Dick Hall whipped Mel Collins, 8. Otis Woodard upset Jay Anderson, 10. Juan Tejada and Wes Lowery drew, 8.

Joe Lissy beat Al Milone, 8. Hugo Kohler kayoed Fritz Schwering, 2. Charlie Glover beat Dalfus Brown, 6. Ernie Smith whipped Bill Tate, 6, but was stopped by welterweight Herbie Rodriguez, 8. Willie Barnes stopped Joe Garza, 3. Walcott Jackson defeated Sherman Williams, 6.

Eddie Simms stopped George Price, 3. George drew with Harold Redman, 6. Willie Russell stopped Al Cerphas, 8. Tony Dupas kayoed Buck Woods, 2, and bested Andy Mayfield, 8. Fred Thomas bested Joe Damiano, 6. Fesuluai Peapealalo beat Anacleto Battad, 6.

Tommy Kilpatrick beat Roy Morris, 6. Nathan Ish beat Buck Bellamy, 6, but lost to Kid Zacatecas, 10. Clarence Riley beat Floyd Brooks, 6. Billy Priest kayoed Dick McCarthy, 1. Jimmy Remson kayoed Henry Bronko, 2. Joe Brewer whipped Red Lite, 6, but lost to Joe Neal, 6.

Chuck Lincoln beat J. C. Johnson, 6. Stan Micheaux bested Eddie Wright, 6. Rocky Fumerelle stopped Harvey Williams, 6. Duby Josey kayoed Bimbo Pillione, 3, and Sal Cantino, 3. Jimmy Robinson kayoed Bernard Ford, 2. Blair Richardson and George Bonovich drew, 6. Andy Chaney halted Johnny O'Brien, 4. Go Go White defeated Tommy Mayree, 6.

Franz Szuzina whipped Randy Sandy, 10. Neal Rivers bested Milo Savage, 10. Jimmy Martinez decisioned Bud Burnett, 10. Yvon Turenne defeated Rinzi Nocero, 10.

WELTERWEIGHTS

Gil Turner upset Virgil Akins, 10. Garnet (Sugar) Hart and Charlie Cotton drew, 10. Joe Miceli lost to lightweight Ralph Dupas, 10.

Isaac Logart outclassed Walter Byars, 10

Vince Martinez stopped Larry Baker, 9.

Joe Miceli halted the comeback of former champion Johnny Saxton by stopping him in 4.

Charley (Tombstone) Smith lost to middleweight Charley Joseph, 10. Cirilo Gil defeated Gunter Hase, 10.

Martiniano Pereyra retained his Argentina title by beating Jorge Fernadez, 15. Charley Sawyer stopped Mel Ferguson, 8.

Kid Fichique kayoed Baby Colon, 4, and drew with Ismael Espana, 10. Frederick Thompson whipped Rocky Rivero, 10, and Gunter Hase, 10. Alvaro Gutierrez defeated Jose Ramon Flores, 10.

Art Aragon returned to action and beat Alfredo Cota, 10. Ray Riojas kayoed Colin Clarke, 11. British champion Peter Waterman kayoed Ernst Zetzman, 6. Mel Barker whipped Gilberto Holguin, 12.

Ramon Tiscareno defeated Willie Morton, 10. Ramon Hernandez outpointed Woody Winslow, 10. Stan Harrington kayoed Steve Tony, 2, but lost to Ramon Fuentes, 10. Genorace Armstrong whipped Rudy Sawyer, 10.

Italian Champion Giancarlo Garbelli stopped Franco Vescovi, 7 (non-title). Vicente Panzani won over Benjamin Ferreyra, 10. Herbie Rodriguez stopped Ernie Smith, 8. Giancarlo Garbelli halted Franco Vescovi, 7. Agustin Rosales kayoed Babe Zamora, 2. Norm Gautreau decisioned Keith Paris, 10.

Andrew Brown whipped Tommy Elder, 10. Tony Veranis decisioned Charlie Lopes, 8. Roger Harvey won from Pat O'Brien, 10. Frankie Anslem halted Jesse Bogart, 3, and Everardo Armenta, 3. Bogart drew with Billy Greaves, 10.

Jacky Blair stopped Dave Wilkins, 3. Kim Ki Song kayoed Tiger Hassan, 5. Buddy McDonald decisioned Jimmy McCoy, 6, McCoy also lost to Bill Miller, 6.

Jimmy Moulton won from Alvin Wilson, 6, and Joe Fusco, 6. Jake Josato and Ted Wright drew, 6. Norm Gautreau and Bob Leadly drew, 6. Don Ross halted Peter Schmidt, 6. Guy Sumlin decisioned Otho Sligar, 8.

Joe Dominguez beat Jack Flores, 6. John Powell decisioned Jim McCoy, 5, Jim drew with Tommy Maddox, 6. Roy Sparks beat Eddie Brant, 6, Eddie also lost to Ray Terrazas, 6.

Baby Vasquez outpointed Noel Humphreys, 10. Ralph Dupas defeated welterweight Joe Miceli, 10. British Empire champion Willie Toweel defeated Mario Calcaterra, 10. Leo Alonzo stopped Dan Santiago, 3.

LIGHTWEIGHTS

World champion Joe Brown was held to a draw by Joey Lopes, 10. (non-title).

Kenny Lane decisioned Johnny Gonsalves, 10.

Ralph Dupas outfought Johnny Busso, 10.

Paolo Rosi defeated Ray Portilla, 10. Lem Miller stopped Leo Alonzo, 6.

Baby Vasquez kayoed Joe Smyers, 7.

Al Nevarez outpointed Orlando Zulueta, 10, and stopped Antonio Ramirez, 8.

British Empire champion Willie Toweel outpointed Bobby Ros, 10. (non-title). Ros drew with Fred Galiana, 10, and Fred kayoed Marcel Dupre, 8. Tato Menendez won the Cuban title by whipping Baby Cochet, 12, he also beat Juan Medina, 10, and Albert Robinson, 10, while Cochet and Robinson drew, 10.

Jimmy Carter won over Mickey Northrup, 10. Rudy Jordan whipped Tommy Romulo, 10. Jamie Gine won over Rogelio Andre, 10. Andre also lost to Humberto Madriaga, 10, while Gine whipped Jose Ferreyra, 10. Fidel Hernandez kayoed Julio Escobedo, 2. Angel Olivieri and Miguel Angel Pendola drew, 10.

Luis Contreras defeated Felipe Sosa, 10, and Cesar Saavedra, 10. Lalo Duque kayoed Tobe Penaloza, 7. Teddy Alama beat Winnie Rebolado, 10. George Berry outscored Tomas Castillo, 10.

Julian Velasquez stopped Buddy Evatt, 3. Lulu Perez and Bobby Bell drew, 10. Perez then won in 10. Bobby Scanlon halted Jack Parelli, 7.

Luke Easter decisioned Manny Kid Castro, 10. Richie Howard outpointed Bobby Soares, 10. Hector Garcia and David Camacho drew, 10. Leroy Jones halted Lou King, 8.

Apolinar Huerta kayoed Cocaina Lopez, 4. Valentin Rangel beat Chino Gomez, 10. Alberto Bisbe and William Hurst drew, 8.

Floyd East and Otho Sligar drew, 10. Julian Perez won from Rollie Garcia, 8. Al Urbina stopped Luis Buendia, 9, and Al Olivera, 7. Olivera also lost to Vicente Ramirez, 10. Vicente then drew with Narho Rosales, 10. Jesse Gutierrez and Teddy Mosley drew, 8. Oscar Ortegon beat Bobby Garza, 6.

Mickey Ross won from Bob Leadley, 6. Vicente Leonardo beat Salomon Coronel, 8. Jackie Hayden beat Julius Rhodes, 6. Manuel Ruiz halted Oolo Medina, 3. Robert Olinhant stopped Mickey Bishop, 7.

Billy Williams scored over Ross Calvin, 6. Tony Lamelas defeated Humberto de la Rosa, 6. Jimmy Jackson and Little Firpo drew, 6. Manny Gonzales beat Henry Watson, 6.

Mike Spataro beat Chico Velez, 6. Henry Ferrera halted Willie Woods, 4. Octavio Salas whipped Manuel Castro, 8. Nicky Alvarez won over Carl Chastain, 6, and stopped Billy Mills, 2. Carl beat Mickey Bishop, 8. Benny Rodriguez stopped Luis Espinosa, 6.

FEATHERWEIGHTS

Ike Chestnut decisioned Jose Cotero, 10.

Paul Jorgensen and Victor (Sonny) Leon drew, 10. Ernesto Figueroa kayoed Roy Hernandez, 6, and beat Pete Kawala, 10.

Ricardo Gonzalez stopped Rudi Langer, 6. Roberto Garcia kayoed Americo Rivera, 6.

Isidro Martinez outpointed Harold Gomes, 10. Manolo Garcia stopped Georges Devoe, 5.

Ciro Morasen and Kid Anauhac drew, 10. The Kid also bested Joe Shaw, 10. Raul Vargas drew with Pedro Miranda, 10. Pedro kayoed Aldo Gamboa, 2, while Raul drew with Manual Alvarez, 10.

Puppy Garcia edged out Martin Rodriguez, 10. Rocky Briones kayoed Buddy Sacramento, 6. Mauro Vazquez kayoed Kid Leoncito, 2.

Fili Nava kayoed Baby Cid, 4 and beat Hector Garcia, 10. Emilio Olivares outpointed Tono Coria, 10. Luis Gutierrez and Kid Aztequita drew, 10.

Bobby Bell drew with lightweight Lulu Perez, 10, then lost to him in 10. Genaro Serafin outscored Manuel Jimenez, 10. Little Cezar drew with Saipetch Yongtakit, 10. Junior Flores defeated Charlie DeBow, 10, and stopped Sal Vegas, 8. Sal kayoed Bob Espinosa, 6. Martin Vazquez bested Beto Couary, 10.

Lalo Camarena outpointed Cachorro Meza, 10. Wally Livingston stoped Iggy Maladonado, 6. Ramon Gonzalez kayoed Tony Alamillo, 10. Jimmy Connors halted Steve Horvath, 1, and beat Merill Olmstead, 8.

Tono Ortiz whipped Fidel Lucero, 10. Hank Aceves defeated Herman Duncan, 10. Tony Pardon kayoed Eduardo Garcia, 2. Felix Cervantes and David Duran drew, 10. Enrique Perea outpointed Rodolfo Marshall, 10, and stopped Kid Chocolate, 3.

Hilario Morales stopped Xochimilca Kid, 2. Billy Millsten kayoed Johnny Ramos, 4. Rocky Romeo drew with Moring Macalinao, 8. Eduardo Rodriguez won from Tigre Blanco, 8.

Bobby Gray kayoed Billy Thomas, 1. Hisao Kobayashi decisioned Kiyoaki Nakanishe, 8. Dwight Hawkins kayoed Willie Lucero, 2. Nick Johnson kayoed Gil Belsa, 5. Inocencio Cartas won over Augusto Narvalle, 6. Bobby Robledo beat Dick Robinson, 6. Carlos Loyola won over Apolinar Anaya, 6.

Sergio Caprari won over Jose Luis Martinez, 10. Vicente Worrell kayoed Black Bill, 4, but then was stopped by Rodolfo Marshall, 6. Mel Abmad stopped Alf Castillo, 4. Gallito Reyes won from Gerry Fowler, 6. Tony Christy whipped Ray Carter, 6.

BANTAMWEIGHTS

World champion Alphonse Halimi kayoed Chic Brogan, 2. (non-title). Dick White scored his tenth straight knockout and acquired Australian title by stopping Kevin James, 14.

Raul (Raton) Macias kayoed Panchito Gonzalez, 5. Gonzalez had stopped Jorge Herrera, 6.

British and Empire Champion Peter Keenan trounced Rudy Edwards, 8 (non-title).

Al Asuncion won Philippine title by kayoing Arab Junior, 7.

Leo Espinosa kayoed Lao Lertirt, 2.

Joe Becerra was held to a draw by Raul Leanos, 10. Jose Lopez upset Billy Peacock, 10, but was in turn upset by Manuel Armenteros, 10.

Piero Rollo stopped Jimmy Carson, 9, and beat Tanny Campo, 10. Campo beat Gianni Zuddas, 10, but was stopped by Chic Brogan, 4. Chiquis Rosales won from Kildo Martinez, 10. Luis Romero decisioned Robert Tartari, 10.

Frankie Campos stopped Jose Luis Mora, 3. David Rodriguez beat flyweight Joe Medel, 10, and fought a no contest with Otilio Galvan, 6. Koji Ishibashi won Japanese title by defeating Saburo Otaki, 10. Huesito Gonzalez defeated Rudy Coronado, 10.

Kid Irapuato stopped Bobby Singleton, 8. Marcelo Gonzalez whipped Dusty Brown, 10. Hugh Riley won on a disqualification over Don Razali, 6. Rudy Valdez outpointed Henry Miramontes, 12. Roque Fernandez halted Chocolate Barrera, 4. Alejo Mejia whipped Manuel Rodriguez, 10.

Monito Hernandez halted Pedro Garcia, 5, and Chango Ceballos, 4. Ray Ruiz and Marcel Montoya drew, 8. Marcel then beat Delfino Martinez, 8. Kid Aztequita drew with Luis Gutierrez, 10, and beat Chuy Guerrero, 10. Eduardo Guerrero halted Kid San Martin, 6. Joe Gonzalez defeated Avelino Felix, 10. Manuel Rojas outpointed Chucho Arriola, 8.

Kid Gallo nipped Norberto Cruz, 10. Frank Valdez stopped Jerry Forch, 5. Jesus Gonzalez upset flyweight Cheto Fernandez, 10. Rosendo Martinez whipped Luis Gallegos, 8. Vicente Salmeron won from Chiquilin Torres, 6. Chino Gonzalez kayoed Lucio Hidalgo, 3, and beat Ubaldo Lopez, 6.

Felipe Blanco won over Carlos Amoroso, 6. Vic Santos kayoed Fighting Juanito, 2. Juanito Rivera whipped Baby Salazar, 6. Manny Elias stoped Cosme Rodriguez, 6, and beat Tony Mesa, 6. Justo Castrejon nailed Angel Jimenez, 5. Boots Monroe stopped Joaquin Zeloz, 3.

FLYWEIGHTS

World champion Pascual Perez kayoed Urbita Sosa, 4, (non-title), and Pablo Sosa, 3 (non-title).

European titleholder Young Martin won from Lopez Durban, 10 (non-title). Aristide Pozzali kayoed Renato Denti, 2.

Young Aquino whipped Takeshi Yamaguchi, 10.

Ramon Calatayud stopped Pimi Barajas, 10.

Cuban champion Oscar Suarez retained his title by beating Orlando Rodriguez, 12. Saul Becerril beat Hector Agundez and Cheto Fernandez, each in 10. Ray Ruiz beat Jose Galvan, 10, and drew with Marcel Montoya, 8. Carlos Miranda defeated Luis Jimenez, 10. Luis also lost to Antonio Gomez, 10.

Goyo Flores kayoed Kid Gallo, 3, and beat Miguel Segundo, 10. Ricardo Valdez defeated Carlos Moreyra, 10. Canadian champion Lloyd Grodon kayoed Fred LeBlanc, 3. Horacio Accavallo beat Ramon Juarez, 10. Little Pancho kayoed Fgt. Jamal, 4.

Juanito Mendoza nailed Tony Contreras, 8, and Pulga Sanchez, 4. Little Beting drew with Station Boy, 8. Terry Spinks kayoed George McDade, 3. Arturo Vazquez outfought Jose Juan Zurita, 7. Small Dave bested Tony Chavez, 6.

Pone Kingpetch decisioned Hitoshi Misako, 12. Olympic Champion Terry Spinks scored his 8th straight pro victory by edging out Ivan McCready, 8.

THE POLO GROUNDS 1890-1957?

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look more than 10,000, and the receipts probably didn't go beyond $50,000. Since the fighters were working on percentages, however, Tex couldn't have lost much, if anything, on the show. He was right in one respect: Wilson did get himself beaten. An awkward southpaw, Johnny messed up the affair by too much tugging and hauling, and Greb was an easy winner in fifteen rounds.

All four championship bouts staged in the Polo Grounds had produced new title-holders.

THAT GRAND FINALE.

It was only fitting and proper that the grand finale of that eventful summer of 1923 in the Giants' ball park should uncover one of the most exciting heavyweight championship bouts the ring has ever known. It was the riotous meeting of Jack Dempsey and Luis Angel Firpo. Rickard was the promoter.

Following his Yankee Stadium carnival, Tex had paired the two winners, Willard and Firpo, at the big wooden bowl on Boyle's Thirty Acres in Jersey City, across the Hudson River from New York. Dempsey agreed to defend his title against the survivor. Firpo qualified for the match by battering Willard into exhaustion in eight rounds.

Originally Rickard had planned to stage the Dempsey-Firpo bout in the sprawling Jersey City stadium, which belonged to him and was built for the Dempsey-Georges Carpentier affair two years before. Pressure from New York politicos, however, influenced him into renting the Polo Grounds for the match. The date was Friday night, September 14.

The overflow crowd of 82,000, which contributed $1,188,603 to the box-office, was amply rewarded by the exciting brawl. In actual time, the fighting was limited to less than four minutes, but packed with thrills and drama. In the first round, after being knocked down seven times, an enraged Firpo suddenly turned on his tormentor, clobbered Dempsey across the ring and battered him through the ropes into the working press section. It was only with the help of a couple of newspapermen and a telegraph operator that Manassa Jack was able to clamber back into the ring in time to beat the count and save the title. Resuming his savage assault in the second round, Dempsey slugged Firpo to the canvas twice in less than a minute, and the second time was the last.

Dempsey was the only champion to retain his laurels in the five historic fights staged in the Polo Grounds that summer of 1923.

(The next installment on the colorful history of boxing in the Polo Grounds will cover Gene Tunney's victories that led to the title match with Jack Dempsey, as well as such other mementous ring classics as Harry Greb's battle with Mickey Walker, Kid Chocolate's meetings with Al Singer and Jack (Kid) Berg, and Jimmy McLarnin's bouts with Sammy Mandell and Barney Ross.)

GENE TUNNEY AND THE CLEVER BOYS

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I'll tell you. Fighting those guys, setting 'em up for a knockout, I found I was taking too much punishment.

"I said to myself, Abe this won't do. If you are going to last at this business, you've got to keep the other fellow from hitting you. So I got smart, and lasted a lot longer."

Attell fought all the great pugilists of his time with one exception. Asked why he never fought Joe Gans he replied: *"My Mother didn't raise any foolish children."* Attell considers Gans the master boxer of all time.

The late James J. Johnston once told me of the shock he experienced on going to the pier to meet England's Jem Driscoll. Driscoll, he knew, had the reputation of being a brilliant boxer. To Jimmy's surprise he had two cauliflower ears.

"He didn't look like a champion to me. He looked like a pushover," said Jimmy. *"It wasn't until I saw him box in the gym that I realized how he had grown the cauliflowers.*

"Driscoll didn't block punches. He slipped them. Often his opponents gloves would flick his ears as they slid by. Nobody ever hit Driscoll a solid punch."

I believe Johnny Dundee should be rated higher than he is among the all-time smart boxers. Johnny campaigned steadily all over the country, including New England where he was a tremendous favorite. He would fight as often as three or four times a week in towns such as New Bedford and Fall River for as little as $1,000 a bout.

One of his great performances was against a strong, hard-hitting welterweight named K.O. Young Kloby, who had been champion of the Yankee Division during World War I. Kloby had a big following. He fought Dundee in a circus tent at Lawrence, Mass. Johnny gave away all of 17 pounds and danced to any easy decision.

Dundee delighted fans with his trick of bouncing off the ropes. In Philadelphia one night he bounced off into Willie Jackson's right hand and was knocked out. Although they fought several times afterwards Willie never beat Johnny again.

The reverse happened some years later when Fidel LaBarba, then world fly-weight champion, invaded Boston to box a little known bantamweight named Johnny Vacca. Vacca didn't figure going in, yet he knocked down the clever, lighter champion two or three times and was a clear winner in 10 rounds.

Dempsey and Tunney, representatives of different styles, were both great. One was a fighter with dynamite in either hand; the other a smart scientific workman. They complimented each other, and together they drew boxing's largest crowd in Philadelphia, and in Chicago, $2,658,880, the biggest gate.

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NAT FLEISCHER SAYS

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their once lofty position in the boxing world.

KETCHEL RELICS FOR THE RING MUSEUM

As a collector, I have seen many relics that belonged to Stanley Ketchel, a number of which I personally possess. But the finest collection of fight pictures of this famous middleweight king is owned by Lou Cohen, pal and one of the trainers of the Michigan Assassin. Lou, who travelled around the country with Ketchel and was present at his most important ring battles, is now in the employ of the Pan American Airways.

A few weeks ago, while on a visit to The Ring offices, he added a handsome sterling silver shaving mug and brush to "The Ring" museum. They are engraved, "Stanley Ketchel, World Middleweight Champion". Cohen also received from the mother of Stanley after his death, many other items that belonged to the champion and these also will be presented to the Ring Museum.

NEBRASKA NOTES
By Charles Van Fleet

THE BOXING SCENE HERE IN OMAHA IS BRIGHTER THAN IT HAS been in years. As this goes to press, there will be two, perhaps three, gyms in operation, and several of the better amateurs will have turned pro.

Local boxers have appeared throughout the Summer in Minneapolis, Wichita, Kansas City, and other arenas, besides the local ring in Council Bluffs, Iowa, across the river.

Promoter Lee Sloan has put on four entertaining shows at Playland Park in Council Bluffs during the Summer and will move to Omaha for the Winter season inside. Joe Dusek of the well-known wrestling family has been issued a matchmaker's license by the State commission, so will be putting on some wrestling cards here. It is not known yet whether Joe will attempt to promote boxing or not.

▶Promoter Sloan presented his fourth and last outdoor card at Playland Park in Council Bluffs. It was a good one, showing several new and promising faces. There were no dull bouts, but the officiating was subject to criticism.

Hardluck Reggie Hughes, 138, Omaha, swarmed and hustled his way to an apparent win over Lou Cappellano, 134, Omaha, in a lightweight eight-rounds main, only to see his opponent's hand hoisted at the end. This came as a bitter disappointment to Reggie, who had lost a close one to undefeated Joe Parks on the previous card. This same Joe Parks was the recipient of a booed draw with Cappellano on an earlier show.

Equally disappointing was the decision favoring Harold McDonald, 137, Omaha, over Harold Gill, 138, Omaha, in a prelim. Gill, who had a wide edge on this writer's scorecard was quite impressive in his pro debut against a more experienced opponent.

In another lightweight four, Johnny Foster, 145, Omaha, reversed form and jolted Golden Gloves grad Don Johnson, 141, Omaha, with a first round T.K.O. in 2.45. Although this bout may have been halted prematurely, there seemed to be little doubt as to the outcome.

In a heavyweight four, Ollie Goa, 208, of Kearney, Nebraska, making his first pro start, gave ample indication of ineptness in the first two rounds, but seemingly went berserk in the third round and battered Love Lucky, 181, Chicago, about so earnestly that the unlucky Lucky was forced to call it a day. The announced weights were 208 for Goa and 181 for Lucky. Goa was down in the first round.

As usual, Jake Sanchez, 145, Denver, stole the show with his vicious punching. In three appearances at Playland, Jake has scored three short wins, the latest over Elmer Ridley, 142, of Chicago.

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LOUISVILLE BOXING NEWS
By Joe Martin

AT THE STATE FAIRGROUNDS, Paoli Rosi bombed Baby Vasquez with uppercuts in the late rounds to score a split decision in the 10-round main go. The balding Rosi finished fast in a tough but unspectacular nationally televised bout, both are ranked lightweights.

Charles Glover, 154, Cincinnati beat Dolphus Brown, 155, Louisville in six rounds. Billy Williams, 136, Louisville, beat Ross Calvin, 137, Nashville, in six rounds. Walcott Jackson, 160, Chicago, beat Sherman Williams, 159, Louisville, in six. Snyder Garland, 150, Dayton, Ohio scored 9 second-round T.K.O. over Franke Betts, 145, of Concinnati. Bill King promoted the show.

▶Starting next month we will have two amateur shows a week in Louisville. For the last four years we have had only one each week. Matches are made by this writer. Coach's please write to me at 215 North 35th Street, Louisville 12, Kentucky.

MICHIGAN FISTIC FACTS
By Jack Waina

TALENTED BOXER-ARTIST MICKEY CRAWFORD, SAGINAW welterweight, scored his 12th victory in a row when he easily bested veteran Sammy Rodgers, of Benton Harbor, in ten rounds at Pontiac before 1,570 fans who paid $2,038.02. In winning his 18th in 19 starts, Crawford simply boxed too well for his thoroughly outclassed opponent who was no match for clever Crawford. The voting of the officials was a mere formality with Crawford ahead on all three cards, 49-35, 48-40 and 49-36.

Nick "Lucky" Malik's good welterweight comer, John Powell, returned to the winning column with a solid victory over tough amateur champion Jim McCoy, of Benton Harbor, in a star five rounder.

Osse Groom, tough Detroit heavyweight, won his fifth in a row and fourth by KO, but had to come from behind again, in stopping Bill Pickett in the third round. Groom was down in the first round.

Popular Ducky Dietz, Detroit lightheavy, scored his sixth KO in seven starts when he iced Hugh Reeder in the very first round and Chuck Church, Owosso heavyweight, who has a habit of either knocking out his opponents or getting stopped himself, dropped Johnny Williams for ten in the first.

▶Duke Harris, Detroit welterweight, made his first start in nine months when he officially defended his state title at Traverse City against Willie Dillon.

Harris showed the way with some real jarring infighting in piling up sufficient points in a rugged fight that seen him successfully defend his state title. Long layoff or not, Duke looked exceptionally strong and in excellent condition as always, and all that he needs is more work to regain the high status once bestowed upon him. All three officials had an easy time scoring Harris in front 49-41, 49-43 and 48-44.

Three, four-rounders completed the card. Wild Bill Copeland, Detroit lightheavy, bested Chuck Church, of Owosso; George Green, Detroit welter, stopped Jimmy Miller, of Saginaw, in four; and Leo Bailey, promising Detroit middleweight, bested Jimmy Myles, of Bay City, in four.

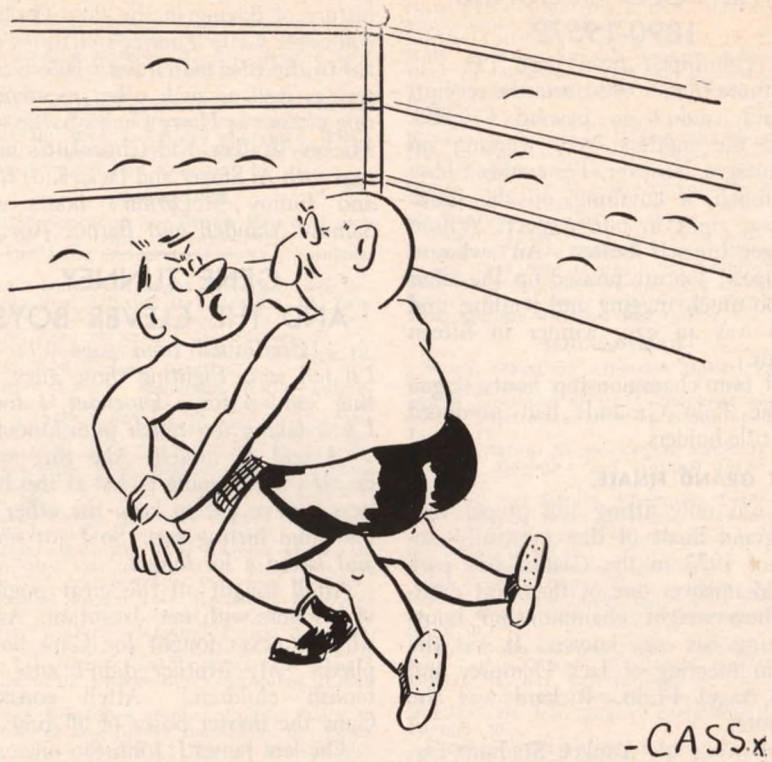
▶Kenny Lane, the best lightweight in the world bar none including champion Joe Brown, made his second start of the year in his hometown of Muskegon before 1,957 fans who paid $3,667.50. Kenny had no trouble at all in winning his 15th straight bout and won as he pleased over Teddy "Red Top" Davis in ten rounds. So one-sided was the bout, that Davis did not receive one round on any of the officials score cards. The unanimous verdict in favor of Lane was 50-39, 50-38 and 50-37.

Jackie Richards, Detroit lightheavy, scored a close four round decision over Lou Bailey, of Chicago; Jimmy Miller, Saginaw welter, bested James Sargent, of Chicago, in four; Chuck Church, Owosso heavyweight, stopped Johnny Heines, of Chicago, in three; Jimmy Wright, Bay City lightheavy, won his sixth in a row by decisioning Lou Shippe, of Chicago, in four; and Willie Harris, of Chicago, outpointed John Avery, of Detroit, in another four.

▶Clever Isaac Logart, of Cuba, proved too strong and punched too often for Walter Byars, of Roxbury, Mass., in their televised ten rounder from the Olympia Stadium in Detroit. Only 1,105 live fans turned out paying $1,584 to watch Logart, who holds a KO over Detroiter Duke Harris, and Byars, whose claim to fame lays in his upset win over highly touted Sugar Hart. All three officials favored Logart without doubts on their score cards as follows: Judge Jack Asperry 50-38; Judge Bill Appleton 49-36; and Referee Jackie Swartz 48-38.

On a shortened preliminary card, James Remson, hard punching Detroit middleweight, scored his eighth KO in nine straight victories when he put the damper on Henry Bronko, also of Detroit, in the second round. In a pair of four rounders, Jackie Richards, Detroit lightheavy, outpointed busy Chuck Church, of Owosso, and Clarence Riley, Detroit middleweight, made it two in a row over Floyd Brooks, also of Detroit.

▶BEHIND THE HEADLINES . . . Ernest Morgan, former state champion in the lightweight class from Grand Rapids, passed away. Morgan retired undefeated. Two other recent deaths were that of Henry Jones, ex-heavyweight trial horse, and Bert Lamb, former fighter and manager. Jones campaigned throughout the midwest from 1946 to 1950, meeting the likes of Bob Baker, Roscoe Toles, Alabama Kid, Lee Q. Murray and many other of top grade. Lamb is the gentleman who started out Lester Felton in the professional ranks and did a workman like job managing him until the roof fell in and Les hasn't been the same fighter since.



"STOP AD LIBBING, YOU BRUTE. YOU'RE HURTING ME!!"

SOUTHERN OHIO JABS
By J. Jimmie Amann

ALTHOUGH NOT FROM SOUTHERN OHIO, but doing most of his fighting out of Dayton, young Ernie Smith, the transplanted Pittsburgh middleweight is leading the way in activity as a representative of this section. Smith dropped a close one to Herb Rodriguez at New Orleans, but he made a hit with the southern fans.

▶AROUND FOUNTAIN SQUARE WITH THE PUNCHERS AND THEIR PILOTS. . . . former heavyweight champion Ezzard Charles, now located in Cincinnati with a county position, recently made his debut as a public speaker at a Madisonville boys' club. . . . Willard Brown who fought out of Indianapolis a few years back and made several good showings in local rings, now operates a boxing school in Houston, Texas. Still have a few copies of my 1957 promoters' and managers' Guide at $1.00 each. . . . latest subscribers to my weekly letter are the Indiana State Commission and Ian Macleod, Canadian boxing critic. . . . We would like to hear from managers with good fighters wanting national contacts. . . . our address is 6716 Palmetto St., Cincinnati 27, Ohio.

IN OLD NEW ENGLAND

By Don Hamill

NEW BEDFORD—JIMMY CONNORS, 125, HELPED RETURN BOXING TO HIS HOMETOWN after a lapse of several years, when he headed a card which drew 1,666 of his hometown fans. Connors made short work of Ramon Soto, 125, Puerto Rico, whom he belted out in 2:40 of the first round with a pair of left hooks and a right cross.

Bob Berdahl, 155, Brighton, scored a clean kayo in the second round, in the second of three eight rounders which topped the card. His opponent, Johnny Silvia, 158, New Bedford, had held him to a very close decision in a previous battle. Bob Murphy, 150, Brighton, halted veteran Billy Mays, 155, Dorchester, in the seventh round of the remaining eight. John Butler, 142, Malden, won the opener when he stopped Al Duarte, 140, South Dartmouth, in the second round of a scheduled sixer.

▶CHICOPEE FALLS—Eddie Demars, 168, New England lightheavyweight champion, turned back his fellow-townsman, Sammy Walker, 160, in a ten round non-title bout. It was a real brawl with Demars down twice and Walker down three times. There was no love lost and Referee Jack Dekkers had his hands full trying to get the fighters to abide by the rules. It was Chicopee's first boxing show in 17 years.

Gerry Tessier, 184, Springfield, made a successful debut into the heavyweight ranks by belting out Bernie Spencer, 193, Winona, N. J. Spencer had done a considerable amount of boxing in this area while stationed at Westover AFB. The end came in the third round.

Young Beau Jack, 170, Dorchester, halted comebacking Freddy Pope, 170, Springfield, in the second round. Pope previously boxed as Freddy Veratti. Dubey Josey, 157, Springfield, toyed with Bimbo Filliano, 158, West Springfield, before halting him in the third heat. Lenny Graveline, 153, Agawam, outlasted Jimmy Tate, 158, Hadley, in the four round opener.

▶FALL RIVER—Jimmy Connors, 130, New Bedford, needed less than a round to stop Steve Horvath, 124, New York, in what was the top bout of a card headed by four eight round bouts promoted by the newly formed Spindle City AC.

Tony Veranis, 155, Dorchester, filled in as a last minute substitute and while not in tiptop shape had enough on the ball to take the decision over Eugene Lopes, 153, Boston, in their eight spot.

Billy Ryan, 171, Lowell, scored a quickee over Joe Warren, 171, New York, whom he stopped in the first round. Dick Hall, 156, Dorchester, scored another impressive win by taking the decision over Mel Collins, 155, Trenton, N. J., in eight rounds. Paul Leri, 150, Pawtucket, R. I., exploded a dynamic punch on Charlie Gomes, 156, Roxbury, to score a clean kayo in the first round of the opener.

▶BOSTON—Isidro Martinez, 129½, Panama, baffled Harold Gomes, 127¾, Providence, R. I., with his southpaw stance to win a unanimous decision in their ten round nationally televised bout in Boston Arena. Gomes held his own for the first half of the fight with his harder punching. Several times he rocked the Central American. In the third round Martinez turned southpaw, which coupled with his fast hands and elusiveness, turned the tide of battle his way.

Dubey Josey, 160, Springfield, 'got there fustest with the mostest' when he knocked out Sal Cantino, 167, Boston, in the third round of the semi-final eight between a couple of hard hitters. Sandy Chani, 161½, Marlboro, Mass., scored an upset kayo over Johnny O'Brien, 156½, Somerville, in the fourth round.

Billy Priest, 156¾, Waltham, annihilated Dick McCarthy, 151¾, Medford, in the first round. Paddy Read, 130¾, Providence, halted Lou King, 135, Malden, in the third round. Georgie Walker, 137½, Providence, took a four round decision over Bob Spencer, 136, Roxbury.

PITTSBURGH PUNCHES

By Mickey Davies and Lou Caponi

MATCHMAKERS JACK LAKEN AND JOE LUVURA HELD their second show at Jeanette's McKee Stadium, and in the main event, "Fighting Pole" Ronnie Washensky, 166, continued his winning ways by stopping Joey LaQuatra, 174, Pittsburgh, in the fourth frame. This was the top bout of an all-star card. The show paid off on $2,503.70.

In the second headliner, Bobby Gordon, 166, Huntington, W. Va., upset previously un-beaten Johnny Morris, 162. (8)

Jackie Torme, San Francisco, stopped Emil Brtko, of Pittsburgh's North Side. The end came in the 5th. They are heavies.

Bobby Hughes, 163, who formerly boxed under the name of Kid Alfonso, beat Curtis Coles, 159 in a sixer.

Ray Schaffer, 157, beat Fritzie McKinney 148, in four. Both are from Pittsburgh.

▶Turtle Creek High School Stadium was the scene of Promoter Benny Anolik's latest program. Here are the complete results: Ray Lancaster, 144, Spartansburg, S. C., edged Al Marotti, 141, Youngstown, Ohio (10) . . . Johnny Bridges, 148½, Youngstown, stopped Jimmy Chavis, 148½, Turtle Creek, (I) . . . Gene Tippett, 150, P'gh. duked Willie Epps, 148, Youngstown, (6) . . . Larry Huff, 183½, P'gh. stopped Lucky Green, 174, P'gh. (5) . . . Walter Ingram, 122, Weirton, W. Va., stopped Richard White, 129, Youngstown (2) . . . Mert Brownfield, 173, Turtle Creek, stopped Charley Don White, Youngstown, (I).

▶HAPPENINGS—Mrs. Julia Mintz was offered four big ones for the services of Wilf Greaves against Joe Giardello at Forbes Field . . . One of the best prospects around Pittsburgh is featherweight Hurricane Carter . . . Joe Luvura's North Side Gym is a bee-hive of activity these days . . . Joe is handling a nice stable of fighters . . . Billy Conn and Hymie Schwartz gunning for big things for their welterweight star Waymon Dawson . . . Myron Cope's column in the Post-Gazette is a must for followers of boxing.

IN SYRACUSE RINGS

By Billy Shaw

LIL' DAVEY MOORE, SPEEDY SPRINGFIELD, O., featherweight, outpunched and outspeeded Victor Manuel Quijano, Mexican champion, to win a slashing ten round battle at War Memorial Auditorium. Quijano made a tremendous hit with the crowd. One judge Red McGrath of Oswego voted Quijano the winner. The other judge, Dick Albino of Syracuse, voted 7-2-1 for Moore while Referee Joe Palmer saw it 6-3-1 with Lil' Davey. Quijano took the tenth round and accounted for some rapid fire punching in trading sessions with Moore in the second, fourth, fifth and seventh.

The crowd and the gate was the smallest here yet, with only 1,096 fans of the 1,200 present, paying $1,885 to see it.

Moore weighed 129 pounds, Quijano hit the beam at 130.

Jimmy Leonard, 175, Syracuse, and Dave Brown, Rochester, 164, drew in a fast, rough punching four rounder. Leonard suffered a fractured nose which will put him on the shelf. Latest reports are that Jim will become a Syracuse police officer in the near future having passed every test with colors flying. Juan Tejada, 156, Oneida Spanish slugger, fought eight fast rounds to a draw with veteran Wesley Lowery, 155, Allentown, Pa. Paul Barkal, 155, Syracuse, scored his second straight knockout in as many starts, but fractured his right hand accomplishing the feat. Barkal stopped Ray (Elbows) Swisher, 152, in the third round. Jimmy Hurley, 122, Niagara Falls, halted Donnie Hamilton, 125, Syracuse in the first. Hamilton fought with a bad knee and was floored three times and fell twice.

Willie Bell, 193, was the victim of a fluke knockout. Bell, a promising Syracuse youngster, was floored in the first by rugged Johnny Pratt, 180, of Rochester. Willie was up at the count of eight, reached his gloves out for Referee Marc Terziev to wipe off. Terziev forgot, Pratt tore in and knocked Willie cold with a terrific right to the jaw. While the green referee erred, Willie forgot the first law of the ring, "protect yourself at all times", to his sorrow. Ritchie Stewart, 145, Syracuse stopped Tommy Harvey, 145, Syracuse, in the fourth. Terziev halted proceedings.

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DOWN ARIZONA WAY
By Al Fenn

IN THE PHOENIX ARENA ALFREDO ZUANY, EL PASO, won his most impressive victory by outpointing Chief Alvin Williams, Wichita light heavyweight in 10 rounds. Zuany, 188, was too strong for Williams, 178.

In the semi, Manuel Elias, the Little Bull, Phoenix, won his sixth straight victory as a professional, scoring a TKO in 1:36 of the sixth over young Cosme Rodriquez of Juarez. Manuel, 123 to his victim's 124, had won every round. In other six-rounders, Nathan Ish, 162, Phoenix, decisioned Buck Bellamy, 158, Phoenix, and Joe Garret, 147, Luke AFB, stopped Eddie Bright, 147, of Los Angeles with a series of stomach blows in 58 seconds of the second.

▶ On a boxing card in the mining town of Superior, under the promotion of Ygnacio Villaverde, Kid Zacatecas, 160, of Mexico City, won a split decision over Nathan Ish, 160, of Phoenix in 8. In another bout, Manuel Elias, 122, won an easy decision over Tony Mesa, 118, of Mexico in 6 rounds.

TEXAS BOXING NEWS
By Harlan Haas

THINGS HAVE BEEN SILENT AROUND HOUSTON FOR the past six weeks, but should begin to roll the middle of September. Elsewhere over the State, boxing has gone right on. During the month of July there were eight shows scattered over Texas, also eight in August, with Beaumont staging three shows during the latter month.

Baltazar "Junior" Flores gets our nod for making the most progress during the past couple of months. He kayoed Jules Butch in four, stopped Sal Vegas in eight and beat the veteran New Yorker, Charley DeBow, in ten thrilling rounds. Finesse may be lacking in his repertoire, but courage and aggressiveness can be spelled in caps. He's undefeated in some 20 pro bouts. He is under the direction of Dick Menchaca who carried Jorgensen through the simon pures and early pro career.

Ralph Smith, veteran promoter, who is doing a bangup job down Beaumont way.

One fighter a promoter never goes wrong on is Curtis Woolwine, the tough kid from Beaumont, who fights with a reckless abandon. Win, lose, or draw he usually brings the house down with his roughhouse style.

▶ Dallas, Jimmy Parks, Promoter—Zora Folley, 199, Arizona's top ranking heavy, showing in Texas for the first time, stopped huge Edgardo Romero, 240, in the sixth round before a good crowd. Folley looked mighty sharp, and the fans saw just why he has attained such a high national ranking. He is a real threat to Patterson's crown.

Alfredo Zuany, 188, stopped Willie Scott, 184, in two. Roy Sparks, 145, beat veteran Eddie Brant, 145, in six. Paul Daniels, 213, copped a sixer from George Abinet, 199, and Ivey Carr, 175, stopped Clarence Boone, 168, in the third. Tano Serna, 119, iced Horace Lloyd, 119, in the first.

▶ Beaumont, Ray Campbell, Promoter—Matchmaker Ralph Smith has been putting on some topnotch club fights at the Sportatorium, and the gates are increasing. Baltazar "Junior" Flores, 126, is the current rage. This tigerish like featherweight with the rockem-and-sockem style, added Sal Vegas, 128, of Odessa to his ever growing list of victims when he stopped Sal in the eighth round.

Harold Redman, 160, Beaumont, and George Price, 160, Houston, fought six furious rounds to a draw. Ray Gonzales, 128, Del Rio, suffered a badly lacerated eyebrow in the first minute of milling, but came back to stop Al "Sweet Potato" Bouldin, Houston, in the first. Buck Wood, 155, Houston, stopped lanky Ted Daley, 154, Houston, with seconds remaining in the fourth and final round. Dale Davis, 145, Senath, Mo., a great prospect, kayoed Lawrence McGee, 145, New Orleans, in two.

▶ San Antonio, Jimmie Scaramozi, Promoter—After ten sensational rounds of action, Aldo Mente, 135, the Niagara Falls Italian, got a well earned decision over Gilberto Holguin, 139, of El Paso. Mente, a real warhorse who has beaten some good ones, came out of the pier six brawl with four facial cuts. Holguin had earned himself a reputation two weeks before by giving a good account of himself with the champ, Joe Brown.

The semi-windup kept pace with the main go as Jesse Gutierez, 132, San Antonio, and Teddy "Red Top" Mosley, 135, Mobile, Ala., battled to a savagely contested eight round draw.

Floyd McCoy, 162, New York sparring mate of Roy Harris, decisioned Santiago Gutierez, 160, San Antonio. Frank Valdez, 120, San Antonio, stopped Jerry Forch, 118, Houston, in the fifth round. Armando "Rocky" Morales, 119, San Antonio, got off the deck and weathered some mighty rough moments to outpoint a tiring J. D. Laird, 122, Houston, in four rounds.

▶ Dallas, Lew Gray, Promoter—Mel Barker, 150, Austin, decisioned veteran Charley Salas, 149, Phoenix, in the ten round feature attraction. Barker is the Texas welter king. Frank Lawson, 171, decisioned Ted Poole, 172, in six rounds. Sonny Moore, 184, kayoed Paul Daniels, 207, in the third. Elmo Henderson, 153, beat Roy Sparks, 146, in a four. Rudy Gonzales, 124, stopped Calvin Carney, 124, in four.

▶ Corpus Christie, Lauro Gonzales, Promoter—Rudy Valdez, 116½, Corpus Christi, hammered out a twelve round decision over Henry Miramontes, 117, Dallas, to become the new Texas bantamweight champion. Miramontes had beaten Buddy Baggett a couple of years ago for the title. Oscar Ortegon, 134, Corpus Christi, decisioned Bobby Garza, 138, in the six round semi-final. Gallito Reyes, 123, defeated Gerald Fowler, 126, in six. Roy Donaldson, 148, won over Miguel Coronado, 142, in a four round curtain raiser.

▶ Beaumont, Ray Campbell, Promoter—Matchmaker Ralph Smith again featured undefeated Baltazar "Junior" Flores, 126, of Port Arthur, this time against the veteran "cutey" Charley DeBow, 124, of Brooklyn, and the gate was $2,300. DeBow, who had given Paul Jorgensen two good fights, dropped a ten rounder to the hustling Port Arthur slugger. It was the kid's best win to date, and the promise of bigger gates to come.

In another ten, Otho Sligar, 137, a twelve year pro fighter out of Houston who fought in New York eleven years ago, jabbed and moved to earn a ten round draw with powerful punching Floyd East, 136, Lake Charles. Manuel Gonzales, 135, Odessa, was the winner in six rounds over Henry Watson, 132, Dallas. Dale Davis, 146, Senath, Mo., won a pleasing four from Art Wells, 144, a Cleveland fighter stationed at Fort Polk. Harvey Gipson, 160, and Arthur "Hurricane" Jones, 160, fought to a four round even steven affair.

▶ **San Antonio, Jimmy Scaramozi, Promoter**—With his welterweight title on the line, Mel Barker, 146, Austin, won a hard fought 12 round decision over Gilberto Holguin, 146, El Paso. Sgt. Matt Jackson, 175, Spokane, handed George Peyton, 188, Houston, his first loss as a professional in the ten round semi-final. It was a whale of a heavyweight scrap, and plans are underway for a rematch. Ray Terrazas, 146, El Paso, decisioned Eddie Brant, 140, Dayton, Ohio, in a six rounder. Armando "Rocky" Morales, 120, kayoed Calvin Carney, 123, Dallas, in the second round.

▶ **Midland, James L. Huff, Promoter**—Donnie Fleeman, 173, Midlothian, needed but three rounds to dispose of Haywood Crosser, 183, Tyler, in one-half of a main go. Jacky Blair, 145, Dallas, returned to ring wars and stopped Dave Wilkins, 152, Dallas, in three rounds. Carlos Salcido, 128, won over Henry Watson, 130, in six rounds. Sal Vegas, 125, stopped Bob Espinosa, 122, in six.

IOWA-SOUTH DAKOTA SPARKS
By Bill Hawkins

TERRY LOUIS, 228, SIOUX CITY'S UNBEATEN HEAVYWEIGHT, SCORED a first round knockout in one of the preliminaries to the Floyd Patterson-Pete Rademacher title match at Seattle over George Taneres, 213, of Boise, Idaho. The Sioux Cityan ran his string of knockout triumphs as a professional to seven in a row.

▶ A busy indoor boxing season has definitely been scheduled for the Sioux City Auditorium. Terry Lewis, Sioux City's heavyweight fighter will open the season here. Fighters and managers wishing to show in this area are requested to send their complete records and other information to the writer at 2600 South Roswell Street, Sioux City, Iowa.

NEWS FROM NEW ZEALAND
By Dave Cameron

FORMER BRITISH EMPIRE WELTER CHAMP BARRY BROWN had a tough bout when he was matched against former Aussie Charlie Beaton for the No. 3 middle title at Fielding. Beaton gave Brown a torrid time but lost by a T.K.O. in the twelfth round.

In another title bout at Hawera, Billy Leckie the No. 3 feather champ, beat former champ, Johnny Hanko by a T.K.O. in the 12th.

Roy Stevens, former No. 3 champ in the middle and light heavy division of a few years back, made a successful comeback when he beat Peter Schmidt for the No. 3 heavy title. Stevens is one of the few men who have held 3 titles.

▶ At Greymouth a young New Zealand professional Ian Mitchell, had a good win when he outpointed the Australian Steve Nittles.

Barry Brown continued on his winning way when he made short work of Ulf Christiansen with a 5 round win at Wellington.

In a bout for the vacant light heavy crown at Fielding, Charlie Beaton outpointed Roy Stevens.

Another boxer to make a comeback was Ken Anderson but he picked a tough one in Ulf Christiansen and was halted in the 9th.

In his second bout Anderson did better, he outpointed former Empire Games Representative Mike Hannah.

▶ At Hastings, Nino Squadrico beat Morie Holman and gave the young New Zealander his first defeat.

Billie Leckie beat another man on the comeback trail when he stopped former No. 3 lightweight champ, Frank Wilson in the 7th. On the same program, Jack O'Leary, after a years layoff proved too tough for new professional Fau Leota and Ko'd him in the 6th round.

Yet another man making a comeback is Ross Pippett, the former Australian who is living in New Zealand. In his first bout he outpointed Peter Schmidt.

▶ In a match at Christchurch, Lole Fidow KO'd Tau Leota and in the same hall a few weeks later, Jack O'Leary beat Fidow on points.

▶ Billy Beasly, looked upon as a great prospect and having beaten some top class Australians, was sensationally KO'd by the Samoan, at Wellington.

▶ A return 12 rounder at Palmerston North, resulted in a win for Charlie Beaton over Roy Stevens.

MINNESOTA NEWS
By Bill Colbert

ST. PAUL, MINN.—DEL FLANAGAN, ST. PAUL, TAMED TIGER JONES, NEW YORK, IN TEN ROUNDS AT the Hippodrome Fair Grounds Arena. The fight ended up as an alley fight in the late rounds as the Tiger tried to live up to his name. Flanagan was in good condition and boxed beautifully. A crowd of 4,678 people paid $20,440 to see the contest.

The semi windup between Jim Hegerle of St. Paul and Dick Lane of Boise, Idaho, ended in the eighth round when Referee Johnny De Otis stopped it because of cuts suffered over both eyes by Lane. It was a good fight as far as it went, with the winner in doubt as both were in there throwing leather all the time. They are middleweights.

Timber Jack Wagner of Shakopee, making a comeback, was outpointed by Wayne Woomichill of Omaha in six rounds. They are heavyweights.

Jim Retzlaff, Detroit Lakes, son of heavyweight Charlie Retzlaff, made a good start when he scored a tko over Jack Willard of River Falls. Referee Dick Delaney stopped the fight before the first three minutes were up. They are heavyweights.

▶ Glen Flanagan, St. Paul, is now manager of fighters boxing out of the Twin Cities. He is also an insurance salesman.

HOOKS AND SWINGS FROM CENTRAL OHIO
By Less Huffman

DON HULLIMGER OF LIMA, OHIO, WON THE 147 POUND CHAMPIONSHIP IN the international amateur tournament in Seattle in which the cream of the simon pures of many countries competed.

Johnny Palmer, former Golden Gloves champion in Columbus, defeated Chuck Taylor Detroit in an eight rounder.

Joey Benson, bantam, and Jackie Paterson, lightweight, both good fighters, may be booked through the writer.

▶ Larry Moreland, former lightweight, and Al Perales of Toledo tried an experiment with a popular priced show with $1.50 tops and drew 1500 fans to the Raceway Park in Toledo. It was the first show promoted for several years in this city. The main event, between Charley Cotton, Toledo, and Art Glass of Dayton, ended in a ten round draw. Cotton weighed 158 to 154 for Glass.

Willie Russell of Toledo scored a technical knockout over Al Cephas of Dayton in a 157-pound bout after 30 seconds of the eighth round.

The bout was extended from six to eight rounds when two four-rounders failed to come off. John Avery was unable to make the weight for his bout with James Pettiway, while Jim Eldridge failed to show for his bout with Jackie Richards.

In other four-rounders Primas Williams, 145, of Dayton, decisioned Charlie Tisdale, 147, of Rossford, and Frank Wooten, 129, of Toledo, decisioned Ivan Keeling, 129½, of Cincinnati.

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